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*Christmas Past*

## Memories linger of a quieter time

**By WENDY HANSCOM**  
 Oh, by gosh by golly --  
 Crowded stores.  
 Bottomless shopping lists.  
 A new year full of credit card bills.  
 The "holiday blahs" and Seasonal Affective Disorder.  
 Your children's brain cells pulsing to the tune of TV marketeers.  
 And the in-laws on their way.

The contemporary Christmas season can seem more and more like an ultramarathon through consumer hell than a celebration of faith and hope.

But it wasn't always like this. Among the area's older residents, there are still memories of a time when Christmas was a far quieter more community-oriented celebration.

There may have been fewer material things, but it was family and the festive spirit of the holiday that was important, and not piles of gifts and expensive parties.

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CELIA GORMAN  
90-year-old great-great grandmother

Christmas as they do now," said Celia Gorman of Bethel. "People today go beyond their means."

I was born in the country, in Albany" the 90-year-old great-great-grandmother said. "We didn't celebrate Christmas much at all. The schools would have a tree with the teacher. Young people used to do a lot more to entertain them-

selves than they seem to do today. We had skating parties and went skiing. But skiing wasn't what it is today. We took a bit of harness and strapped our feet to barrel staves."

Children in the early part of this century didn't expect much under the tree, Gorman said, and Christmas trees weren't the glittering, ornament-laden holiday center-

pieces they are today.  
 "When I was a boy we didn't have much," said James Knight, 83, of Woodstock. "For the tree, we'd string popcorn and make paper ring chains. My mother always knit mittens, hats and stockings. That was about it. I don't remember anything about toys. It was always something to wear or eat. It's too commercialized now, too big."

It was similar in Gorman's family, she said.

"On the Christmas tree each child had a candy bag with peanuts and a few pieces of candy," she said. "They didn't have the spread and the presents kids have now. My sister and I were lucky if we got a new doll or some clothes."

One Christmas when Gorman was 15, however, she did get a special gift from her mother.

"In 1919, my mother gave me a birthday book for Christmas," she said. "It had all the family's

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DANNY JOHNSON tries to grab Felix out of a storm culvert.



JOHNSON RESCUES FELIX from a nearby grate instead.

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budgets have recovered from the holiday shock.

So we went to the man behind the local Internet hook-up, Gould Academy Associate Headmaster Dr. Dutch Dresser, and asked him what Santa's helpers or New Year's shoppers should be looking for in Internet hardware.

Here are his recommendations.

**When DOS is boss**

If you're starting from scratch and want to buy a MS-DOS computer, you can get by with a 386, but I'd be reluctant to recommend one. Their reasonable prices stem from the fact that they're two generations old. That age makes them less than ideal for today's applications; you'll find them slow. DOS computers with 486 chips can be

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CAT AND OWNER Dawn Gross are reunited. (Photos by Wendy Hanscom)

## Sewer Grinch tries to steal Christmas, but the cat in the drain comes back

**By WENDY HANSCOM**

Some people believe their pets can sense when a trip to the local vet is imminent.

Fluffy or Rover may be by your side one moment, but nowhere in sight by the time you haul the pet carrier from the closet.

But Dawn Gross of Bethel thinks her cat went a little too far last week to avoid a rabies shot.

Felix, a black and white male, was roaming around the family's Paradise Road home early Saturday morning, Dec. 10, Gross said, but couldn't be found when it was time to head out to the rabies clinic.

It was Tuesday before a Paradise Road woman was out walking her dogs, and heard a meow.

One of the dogs sniffed his way over to a storm

drain grate, and there was Felix trapped underground.

Word of the imprisoned cat spread through the neighborhood. Gross soon learned it was her missing Felix who was peering up through the snow covered grate.

The Bethel town crew was notified and came to see if they could help. Crew members thought Felix might have gotten in the culvert system through a larger grate on the other side of the street, Gross said, or through a pipe that has an opening 150 feet into the woods.

Snow was removed from around the grate, but attempts to pry it off were unsuccessful.

There seemed no immediate way to get the cat out, Gross said, so it was decided to leave him for the night and see if he'd come out on his own.

But he didn't. Gross was back at the grate Wednesday morning, dropping dry cat food through the holes to Felix.

But all was not lost. The Bethel town crew came back and to the rescue.

Town workers showed up with a backhoe and uncovered the plywood top of a nearby culvert clean-out chamber.

Two culverts emptied into the chamber, which held two feet of icy water. Felix poked his head out of one of the culverts for a few seconds, but quickly disappeared. Gross then volunteered to go into the water and try to coax the cat out of the culvert. A town worker went back to the garage for hip waders.

But just as the waders arrived, town crew foreman

Bob Pilgrim decided to have one more go at the grate. The road crew had cold-patched around the grate over the summer and it was locked in place, but Pilgrim managed to jingle it and then pried it loose.

Danny Johnson quickly jumped in, got a hold of Felix and the cat's four-days in the underworld were over.

A few minutes later Felix was standing on top of his refrigerator licking milk warmed in the microwave and munching cat food.

Except for four grimy paws, he seemed non-the-worse for his entrapment.

"I'm very thankful for the help of the town crew," Gross said, "and I'm just glad to have my cat back. I sure hope he doesn't try this again soon."

## Woodstock septic complaint

### Temporary fix proposed

**By WENDY HANSCOM**

A Woodstock couple who lived without a septic system for several months may avoid legal action by the town by installing a holding tank for the winter. But their neighbors downhill are still threatening legal action.

"They do have a tank in the ground," said Town Manager Vern

Maxfield. "It's hooked up and they're using it as a holding tank."

Selectmen were scheduled to meet with the town's plumbing inspector Tuesday night, Maxfield said.

"The plumbing inspector will meet with the selectmen," Maxfield

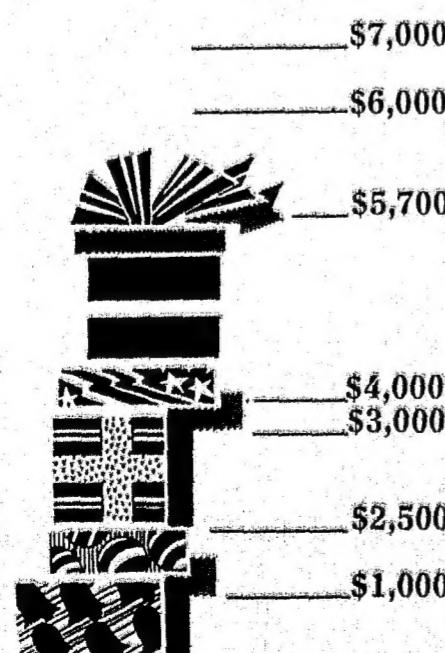
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## THE BETHEL ROTARY CLUB'S CHRISTMAS FOR CHILDREN

### There's still time to give!

The Bethel Rotary Club's Christmas for Children Campaign is nearing its goal of \$7,000 for purchasing toys for local youngsters this Christmas. So far there's approximately \$5,700 contributed, but Christmas is coming soon.

Contributions and requests may be addressed to Dave Murphy, 844 Mayville Road, Bethel, Maine 04217.



## Rebels girls snap 3-year winless streak

**By WENDY HANSCOM**

After almost three years, hard work finally paid off last week when Telstar's varsity girls snapped a 34-game losing streak.

The Rebels, who hadn't won a game since 1992, beat Lisbon 51-35 in a Mountain Valley Conference match up.

"They put it all together, getting strong performances from everyone," said coach Ray Seames. "The girls jumped into the lead early, and led at the end of the first period 14-7. The Greyhounds recovered early in the second period to tie the score at 17, but we came back quickly to take a half-time lead of 28-20. The girls increased their lead in the third quarter and again in the fourth."

The Rebels also led defensively, out-rebounding the Greyhounds and forcing Lisbon into 23 turnovers.

The Rebels, employing a zone press, stole the ball 10 times.

"Offensively, the girls swung the ball well and were able to penetrate

Lisbon's defense easily, allowing a balanced scoring attack," the coach said.

Sarah Richardson and Beth Howe dumped in 15 points each for Telstar.

Netting six points each were Jana Mason and Laura Seames. Other point scorers were Jill Olson with five and Sarah Seames and M.J. Learned with two each.

"This was the first win for Telstar since the spring of 1992," Seames said. "The only varsity player left from that year is co-captain Laura Seames. The girls were very excited, but no more so than the fans who filled the gym with encouragement. The long weeks of practice, summer ball and clinics took on new meaning to the girls with Tuesday night's win."

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## Larson's job said threatened

**By MICHAEL DANIELS**

The discovery that an unlicensed "psychologist" had treated patients for nearly a year at the Bethel Area Health Center may cost the center's director his job.

Wende Gray, president of the health center board of trustees, confirmed Tuesday that executive director George Larson had been offered a "restructured" position with fewer responsibilities.

Larson initially rejected the new position, Gray said, but he is expected to meet again with the trustees at their regular monthly meeting today.

"His position will be discussed at the meeting," Gray said.

The restructuring follows the discovery earlier this month that Charles D. H. Gill, who had counseled patients at the health center since February, did not have a degree in psychology and was not licensed as a mental health professional in the State of Maine.

Gill is currently being held in the Oxford County Jail, pending a jury hearing in January. He faces 16 misdemeanors and one felony charge.

(Please see page 2 for a letter to the editor regarding the Gill matter.)

## Mahoosuc Arts and Sunday River Ski Resort present

Fred Garbo & Dalema Santos  
"Inflatable Comedy Theater"

Wed. Dec. 28 at 7:30 pm

Summit Hotel Grand Ballroom - Sunday River  
Advance Tickets: \$6.00 After Dec. 23 \$8.00  
Available at Preb's Pharmacy, The Welcome Center

at Sunday River or by calling the Mahoosuc Arts Office 824-3575

## HOLIDAY HOURS

Please note that The Bethel Citizen Office will be closed on Friday, December 23rd and Friday, December 30.

WE WILL BE OPEN ON MONDAY  
December 26 and January 2  
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## Letters

### THE B.A.H.C. BUCK BELONGS . . .

**To the Editor:**

When, after nearly 13 years of being employed at the Bethel Area Health Center, I made the very difficult decision to resign, I promised myself that I would go quietly.

However, I must respond to the article entitled, "BAHC's Phony Psychologist," in the Citizen dated Dec. 12.

When George Larson was asked who at the BAHC was responsible for checking professional credentials, he responded, "I don't want to say, but I'm taking the heat for it."

Anyone who is acquainted with the workings of the BAHC knows that for the past seven years I was the personnel manager there. In the last year of my employment I took classes in and was appointed human resource manager, among other responsibilities assigned to me. This meant that it was up to me to check all credentials of every employee and have copies in their files, which I did. No employee was hired until this was accomplished.

At no time was I involved in the hiring of Charles Gill. It is my understanding that George Larson met Mr. Gill socially and admired his business capabilities which led to a job offer. However, after the initial hiring I became involved in checking his credentials. This included licenses, curriculum vitae, references, etc. As I tried to get the necessary info I kept coming up against the proverbial "brick wall." I was unable to obtain reference names from either Mr. Gill or George Larson. The calls I was able to make provided me with no information. On several occasions when I met with Mr. Gill regarding my concerns, he reassured me that he had legitimate credentials that were in his Fryeburg office and would get them to me right away. I gave him all the forms that I needed for his file, and he kept putting me off when I would request that he fill them in and return them to me.

I shared my doubts about Mr. Gill not only with other key administrative staff members, but also with George Larson. He suggested that I keep on trying and that he would look into the situation himself. This all occurred within the first month or so of his hiring date. During this time, Charles Gill was filing with the various insurance companies and receiving payment from them. I know this because I was sent information from BCBS of Maine saying that payments had been sent to his Fryeburg office. I was concerned with this, as part of the payment covered counseling that he had done on some of the BAHC patients. Therefore, the money should have been paid to the BAHC (that is, if these had been legitimate charges).

I kept George Larson updated on all that was going on. One of his suggestions was that I get a refund check from Mr. Gill to cover the insurance checks that had been mailed to Fryeburg. I approached Mr. Gill and he promised to make out a check.

My concerns during this period were:

1. If the feds showed up to inspect my personnel records, who would actually "take the heat?"

2. What would happen to the BAHC and the Federal grants it receives?

3. If my doubts regarding Charles Gill's credibility were proven true, would I be held responsible thus having a blemish on an otherwise good, honest record which, in turn, would affect my employability?

The fact that a search for a licensed psychologist had been going on for several years is well-known at the BAHC. Were the issues of doubt ignored and not dealt with in order to have someone -- anyone -- fill that position? With the position filled, the BAHC could then apply for the much anticipated grants to help it get back on its feet financially. A psychologist would also increase patient care. With that increase, the BAHC would then become eligible for more grants!

Before I resigned in August, I continued to voice my concerns to anyone who would listen to me, and especially to George Larson. It will never cease to amaze me that this situation was allowed to continue for such a time. I wonder if it would still be going on if someone outside of the BAHC facilities had not started the ball rolling.

As I follow the news articles on this subject, I see so much about Charles Gill but almost nothing about the responsibility of the BAHC in this farce.

Truly, when Wende Gray in her direct way stated that George Larson is responsible, she "hit the nail on the head."

I write this letter to let it be known that I did all that I could and, indeed, feel that Mr. Larson should "let the buck stop" where it should -- in his office on the day he hired Charles Gill.

Jean R. Blanchard  
Bryant Pond

### WHERE ARE THE REBEL SKIERS?

**To the Editor:**

I could not believe my eyes when I read the Sun-Journal Skiing Top 10 and Telstar did not make the list.

What is wrong at Telstar? From the basketball results the past few years it doesn't appear that sport is draining away athletes from skiing.

Two ski areas nearby -- there must be a few kids growing up on skis like our kids did.

It was bad enough when they eliminated jumping and four-event skiers -- now this.

Dr. Jack Trinward  
North Waterford

### THANKS, BANKING FRIENDS

**To the Editor:**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Bethel area bank customers who have been so kind to maintain their accounts with "my" banks (Casco Northern Bank, N.A. and Key Bank of Maine) over the last 29 years. I have greatly appreciated serving you with your banking needs, and have enjoyed the great relationships that we've shared.

I would also like to thank all present, and past, employees of those banks, whose efforts in assisting made it all possible. I couldn't have done it without you.

I have now accepted employment at Bethel Savings Bank and look forward to my position as a consumer loan officer there. Please stop in and say hello, when you can.

Again, I thank you, from the bottom of my heart, for those friendships over the years.

Roger R. Conant  
Bethel

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### Christmas Past

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birthdays in it. I still have it and I refer to it all the time, but it's getting pretty ragged."

Colista Morgan, 86, of Woodstock said her family's Christmases were quiet affairs, but she also remembered getting a special present.

"I came from a big family," Morgan said. "I had four brothers and four sisters. We used to celebrate Christmas, but we never had a lot of things, but we had fun.

We strung popcorn and made colored paper chains. We all worked on it. We always hung our stockings and had something in them. I remember one special Christmas I got a sled when I was in the seventh-grade. I still have it.

That year I was the one who had the big present."

Morgan said school programs and Sunday School pageants were the highlight of the season in many communities.

"We would walk two or three miles to the school," Morgan said. "The little rural school Christmas was a big event. We had plays, readings and music, and all the parents came."

It was much the same in the West Bethel village.

When Olive Head of West Bethel was a young wife, she said, she also taught at the West Bethel school.

"After school, we'd go over to the grange hall and practice our program of recitals and songs," Head said. "Everyone in the community was there and saw the program.

Then we had a tree. Presents would

be something homemade or something you could buy for little or nothing. Everything seems so expensive now. The children would give me a little gift they'd made themselves and it meant a lot."

While these older folks said they'd like to see the holiday season go back to being a calmer celebration, they'd never want to go without Christmas.

"I enjoy it a lot," Morgan said. "I have always liked Christmas, but it is very different now."

Christmas for Morgan (and we suspect millions of others) has always had one important theme that will never change.

"For me the family getting together is the important thing," she said. "We always have fun."

### THIS WEEK AT THE Moses Mason House

Funds have been received from longtime member Elizabeth Whiteman of Elkins Park, Pa., to support a life membership in the Bethel Historical Society for U.S. Senator-elect Olympia Snowe. Mrs. Whiteman, long an admirer of Snowe, wrote in her letter enclosing the check for the life membership, that she thought the soon-to-be senator "should be proud of this gem of a society in her state."

Other recent new members of the society include David and Mary Hall of Butte, Mont.; Beulah Burris Lathrop Martins of DeLand, Fla.; Charles and Bessie Brooks of Riverside, Calif.; David Emerson of Conway, N.H.; Oliveanne K. Scott of Lovell; Ann Carlson of West Lebanon; Christine Trefethen of Bethel; John and Ruth Blakney of Plainfield, Conn. A hearty welcome is extended to all of the above.

December is membership month at the Bethel Historical Society. Those wishing further information are urged to call the society office at 207-824-2908.

Among the most recent donors to the 1994 Bethel Historical Society Annual Fund Campaign are Eleanor L. Wilson of Bryant Pond; Richard and Lorrie Hoeh of Bethel in honor of Dick and Jane Hosterman's 50th wedding anniversary; Adelia A. Waterhouse of Bethel. Much appreciation is extended to all of the above for their generosity. Those still wishing to make a contribution should send it to the society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, Me., 04217-0012.

### LOOKING BACK

10 years ago: Angels for the annual Living Nativity Pageant were Monica Rolfe, Deanna Ryerson, Shye Buck. The Locke Mills Food Center (formerly Hathaway's) in Locke Mills, which was in the process of rebuilding following a fire in January 1984 was sold to the Bethel Savings Bank. U.S. Senator George Mitchell held a "listening session" at the Bethel Fire Station to hear views on upcoming issues. Charles Keoskie was given a surprise retirement party at the American Legion Hall in Bethel on the occasion of his retirement from Newton & Tebbets.

20 years ago: Navy Radioman Third Class Dean Murphy was serving with the Commander Submarine Group Eight in Naples, Italy. Jason Smith was elected to membership in the American Angus Association of St. Joseph, Mo. Lisa Fox and son Amos portrayed Mary and the infant Jesus at Bethel's Living Nativity.

30 years ago: Albert Sumner was on anti-submarine duty in the West Pacific. Brenda Tibbets, Beverly Melville and Nestia Littlefield sang solos in the Christmas Cantata produced by the chorus of the Locke Mills Union Church and the Bethel Methodist Church. Former Bethel resident Richard Kirk was sentenced to die in the gas chamber at the Wyoming State Penitentiary for the shooting death of Carson Whitaker, a hitchhiker. Birth: Richard Hutt, Kevin Tuttle, Laurie Hart. Marriage: Marcia Meisner and David Greig. Death: Ethelyn Ryerson.

40 years ago: Keith Bartlett departed on the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Midway for a nine-month tour of duty around the world. Gould Academy's Alumni Association held a combination supper and dance at the academy with Lord's Orchestra furnishing the music. Birth: Dianne Hunt. Deaths: Arthur Parker, Gertrude Stone, Selina Sanborn.

50 years ago: Word was received by the parents of Raymond Holt that he had been wounded in action in Germany. Fillmore "Buddy" Clough and Irving "Blackie" Cummings were reunited in Saipan after being separated when the Naval Air Corps sent them overseas. Death: True Brown.

### Septic

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said Tuesday afternoon. "The selectmen will decide if this is sufficient for the winter. It's certainly better than what it was."

Even if the selectmen approve of the arraignment for the winter, the couple would still be required to complete a septic system in the spring, Maxfield said.

The Pratts' neighbors, Floyd and Mary Hurd, have complained several times to the town that the Pratts' did not have a waste disposal system. The Hurds said that a holding tank is better than nothing, but they're still not happy.

The Hurds met with a lawyer last week to see if they could force town official to make the Pratts comply with the town's ordinances, Floyd Hurd said.

"I'm not letting the selectmen off the hook on this matter," Hurd said. "I'm going to take action even if they don't. They're supposed to have a septic system or a permanent outhouse. Our lawyer says if they don't, I have a case against the town under public nuisance or health laws."

### Newry officials

NEWRY--Selectmen held a meeting of the Newry Post Office, but aren't agreeing on a location for the new post office, according to administrative idea at this point, Gray said. The move, and Newry vo

### Rec. committee

ANDOVER--The town's Rec. Committee is meeting this week to consider putting a new playground in the park. Members said they were happy with the proposed site, but the caretaker of the park, John T. Gray, said he didn't like the idea. Selectman Greg Pease said he thinks a better location "where the people are" would be more appropriate.

### Elderly target

LOVELL/STONEHAWK--A group of "contractors" are targeting the elderly in the Stonehaw area, according to police. The workers are asking for money to pay for doing work on homes.

AMANDA--Town officials are urging the public to be alert for scammers who are targeting the elderly. The group of "contractors" are asking for money to pay for doing work on homes.

### Town official

ANDOVER--Nomination for the number of town positions for the three-year term and another two-year term for the SAD44 School Board are open for a two-year term. Nominations are due Jan. 17.

### Rumford man

RUMFORD--Randy Cioffari, 26, was found dead in his home and the police are investigating. His wife, Monica, 24, was found dead in her home and the police are investigating. Her husband killed himself. The suicide note was found in the car. Cioffari's ex-wife, who was staying with him, was found dead in her home and the police are investigating.

### Passenger

PORTRLAND--An Amtrak passenger train derailed in Portland, killing one person and injuring several others. The company will evaluate the expansion into Maine.

### Lost hikers

BEAN'S PURCHASE--A group of hikers from Bean's Purchase were lost in the woods near the town of North Conway. The group of 10 people were last seen at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday morning and have not been found.

### No local imp

RUMFORD--Bosie Co. wood products manufacturer has filed for bankruptcy protection. The company's Rumford mill, located in Rumford, has been sold by the Idaho-based company to a local lumber company.

### New book

NORWAY--Peter LePage's new book, "Voyages to the Land of the Vikings," is the latest in a series of books about the history of the Vikings. The book is available at the Norway Public Library.

### From the

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At 9:50 a.m. No one was home. The door was open and the window was shattered.

At 10:30 a.m. The vehicle appeared to be out of the road. Neither person appeared to be in the car, which was parked in front of the house.

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### Newry officials open to P.O. move

NEWRY--Selectmen here said last week they are open to the possibility of the Newry Post Office relocating from Bear River corner to the Town Office, but aren't aggressively pursuing such a move. Newry Postmaster Crystal Lake had expressed interest in renting space at the Town Office, according to administrative assistant Sylvia Gray. But it is mostly just an idea at this point, Gray said. The Postal Service would have to approve the move, and Newry voters would have to agree to rent the space.

### Rec. committee wants skating rink

ANDOVER--The town's Recreation Committee asked selectmen last week to consider putting a skating rink behind the Town Hall. Board members said they were interested in having a town rink, but weren't happy with the proposed location. "I don't think we should impose on the caretaker of the Town Hall, and having people running in and out causing undue hardship to our facilities," said selectman Hal Frazier. Selectman Greg Pease suggested behind the Fire Station might be a better location "where there are hoses and first aid equipment, and someone almost always is there." Rec. Committee members will meet with Fire Department officials to discuss the idea.

### Elderly targeted by con men

LOVELL/STONEHAM--Oxford County Sheriff's deputies are investigating scams targeted at elderly residents in Stowham and Lovell. A group of "contractors" has been asking to pave driveways in the Stowham area. The men give a price to pave a certain area, then pave a larger area and demand more money than they originally quoted, according to police. The workers don't ask for a contract and don't give elderly customers the mandatory three-day waiting period for solicited sales before doing the work. In Lovell and North Lovell another group of con men is using a different tactic to target the elderly. A group of two to five young men have been knocking on the doors of elderly residents and then usually asking for directions while trying to get into the home. Once inside, someone distracts the residents while his partners go through the home, taking small items.

### Town officials needed

ANDOVER--Nomination papers are available at the Town Office for a number of town positions. The openings are for one selectman for a three-year term and another for a one-year term. There is also a slot for a SAD44 School Board director for a three-year term, and town treasurer for a two-year term. Nomination papers must be in to the Town Office by Jan. 17.

### Rumford man strangles wife, kills self

RUMFORD--Randy Cioffa, 31, of Route 2 strangled his wife Saturday morning and then fatally shot himself, according to Rumford police. Police say the woman was probably strangled sometime overnight and that her husband killed himself the following morning. A handgun and a suicide note were found at the scene. The bodies were discovered by Cioffa's ex-wife, who became suspicious after a conversation with Cioffa and drove to the Cioffas' apartment. Police say Cioffa and his second wife had a history of domestic violence. Cioffa had been charged with assault after a domestic dispute brought police to the home last month.

### Passenger rail link in trouble

PORLTAND--Amtrak is slashing routes across the country and railroad officials said last week they are uncertain when or if passenger rail service will be reinstated in Maine. Last week Amtrak announced it planned to eliminate more than a fifth of its service and lay off 5,500 workers. The company will evaluate how the restructuring works before considering expansion into Maine, according to company officials.

### Lost hikers walk off Mt. Washington

BEAN'S PURCHASE, N.H.--Four Canadian hikers, reported missing on Mt. Washington since Sunday night, walked out onto Route 302 in Crawford Notch late Monday night. The group was exhausted and cold but otherwise unharmed, according to officials. The two men and two women, whose names were not released, came down the east side of the mountain -- opposite of where they started hiking Sunday afternoon.

### No local impact in Boise stock sale

RUMFORD--Boise Cascade Corp has decided to sell part of its vast wood products manufacturing company, but the sale shouldn't affect the company's Rumford mill. The company is attempting to raise capital through the sale and will sell off a minority stake in its office products distribution division. This is the second time in two months equity has been sold by the Idaho-based company. Boise's Rumford mill produces primarily coated paper and is part of one of the corporation's three divisions.

### New book details early Indian life

NORWAY--Peter Lenz of Norway has published a new book on Indian cultures. "Voyages to Norumbega" covers the years between 997 and the arrival of the Norse Vikings to the Pilgrim settlements in 1620. It documents daily Indian life and looks at the interactions between the Indians and the immigrant Europeans. It is compiled from ships' logs and journals, diaries, letters, other narratives and Indian oral histories. Lenz is an avid historian and is well known for his work on the Oxford Hills Oral History Project. The book is available at several Oxford Hills businesses.

### From the Bethel Police log:

#### Rowdy domestic; night riders in the buff

On Saturday, Dec. 17 at 1:36 a.m., a Mason Street woman reported hearing neighbors yelling, screaming and breaking glass. When police arrived at the apartment, the officer could hear yelling inside, but no one would answer his loud knocking. The officer looked through a window, and saw a man on top of a woman on the floor. The man was yelling loudly at the woman. The officer then kicked in the apartment door and was immediately greeted by the man, who started yelling at the officer. The officer separated the pair. When Chief Dale Bellman arrived, the officer interviewed the woman, while Bellman spoke to the man. The woman told the officer that her boyfriend had wrestled her to the ground in an attempt to take her keys to keep her from leaving. The woman said the man had beaten her and any damage to the apartment had been done by her. She told police she didn't want the man to leave and assured the officer there would be no further problems. Damage by police to the apartment included a broken door case and molding, and cracked sheetrock. Damage by the woman included a shattered glass table top, damaged phone and several items scattered around the apartment. No charges were filed in the incident.

Monday, Dec. 19

At 9:50 a.m. No. 1 Video's owner reported that a tented VCR and four tapes had not been returned to the store for several days. At 10:30 p.m. police responded to a report of a vehicle off the road. The vehicle appeared to be pulled off into the breakdown lane instead of out of the roadway, the report said. The officer talked to a male subject in the car, who said he was just talking to the female occupant. Neither person appeared to have any clothes on, according to the report. The officer asked the couple to "take their discussion elsewhere."

Sunday, Dec. 18

At 1:15, 1:45, 2:41 and 3:50 p.m. police responded to reports of vehicles off the road on Routes 2 and 26. Only one vehicle sustained damages. An Auburn man's 1984 Saab received \$450 in damages to the driver's-side door and mirror.

This report highlights points of interest from the Bethel Police Department log, but does not include all reports of police activity.

### Christmas Future

Continued from page 1

considered current machines, even though the Pentium is becoming increasingly popular.

"If you're looking for value, you'll likely find the best bang for your buck in 486/33MHz and 486/66MHz computers. Well-known brands are selling 486/33s for just over a \$1,000 with decent monitors, and the 486/66 with a 15 inch SVGA monitor that I paid \$3,200 for last year can be had today for under \$2,000.

"When ordering your machine, you'll have two memory-related questions to field. How much RAM (random access memory) do you want/need, and how big do you want your hard drive to be. RAM has lots to do with how quickly your machine will run today's memory intensive programs. If you're going to run Windows applications, you'll certainly want at least four megabytes of RAM and you would be much happier with eight or 16. Plan on 16 mb, or more, if you're going to do lots of graphical work.

"Hard drive volume has plummeted in price recently; so, you can get large drives relatively reasonably. Today's applications consume lots of drive space. There's plenty to suggest that new applications will consume ever more, so don't scrimp on hard drive volume. I would consider a 240-megabyte drive a minimum, today, and would like to have something closer to 500 megabytes if I could manage it. If you're so inclined, you could probably even fill one of those one gigabyte monsters with games and images from the 'Net in short order.

"If you're going to be joining the world of telecommunications, you'll want a modem. Again, there's a range of qualities and speeds to consider. I would recommend that you get a Hayes-compatible and that it be at least a 14.4 megabit unit. It makes no difference whether you get an internal or external modem, particularly if you buy it all installed with the computer. If you're buying a modem to go with an existing machine, and the thought of taking the cover off your computer and plugging in a card makes you nervous,

spend a few extra dollars for an external modem.

"The Bethel Data Corporation is investigating the possibility of putting 28.8 megabit modems on its telecommunication server; so, it is possible that there'd be big speed advantages to buying a 28.8 megabit modem.

"Of course, there's lots of hardware out there that isn't DOS-based, and it could work well, too. Macintoshes, PowerPCs and Unix computers will all serve nicely with the right configurations and software. You'll just have to go to a different elf for your last-minute shopping suggestions in those departments."

#### Apples and the Internet

In an apt example of the Internet at work, Dresser was then able to round up a "different elf" to make some suggestions for Apple fans.

Mark Nelson of Thayer Academy in Massachusetts e-mailed in the following recommendations:

"If you wish to buy your loved one (or yourself) a Macintosh-based system to get on the net you have several choices. As with DOS-based systems, Apple provides bundled systems for retailers to sell, making both the purchase and set-up once you get your computer home easier.

"The high-end choice is a PowerPC-based machine. The most common package you will find at large chains such as Computer City, Circuit City, and mail order houses is the Performa 6115CD PowerPC Multimedia computer system. This package features all the hardware and software you will need, not only to get on the net, but also to

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begin exploring multimedia CD-ROMs as well. It comes bundled with both application software and a collection of CD-ROMs, as well as all the memory (both RAM and hard disk space) you will need. This bundle also includes a 14.4 kbs modem. Everything you need (with the exception of a small piece of free software called ConfigPPP) to connect to the net is in the box. The cost of all this power and simplicity is approximately \$2,600.

"On the other end of the spectrum is the Apple Performa 550/575. This can usually also be found in a bundled package that includes applications software, a CD-ROM player, and several CD-ROM titles. Less speed and feature-packed than a PowerPC model, it still will make a fine computer for home use. Look for this package in the \$1,300 to \$1,500 range. You will need to add a 14.4 kbs modem in order to use this system on the net. Supra, Hayes/Accura, Practical Peripherals, Global Village, and US Robotics all make modems in this speed range in the \$100-\$150 price range. In addition to ConfigPPP, you will also need a program called MacTCP (included in the PowerPC package.)

#### Software

Whether they favor MS-DOS or Apple hardware, Dresser noted, computer users will also need some form of communications software.

Such software (for example, the popular Internet-access program

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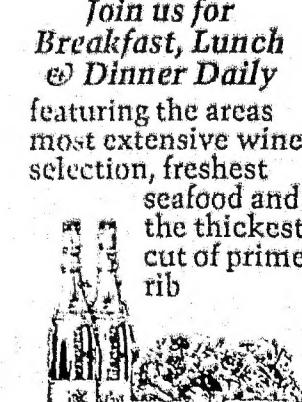
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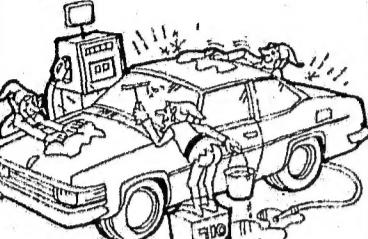
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By KAREN MCKAY

The First Congregational Church will be holding a candlelight service on Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. A service of lessons and carols will be held at 10 a.m. on Christmas Day.

The Calvary Congregational Church will be holding their Christmas Eve service at 6 p.m.

Get well wishes to Mrs. Dot Campbell, a recent patient at Mary Hitchcock Hospital. Dot is now at home with her daughter convalescing. Mail may be sent to Dot c/o Joan Wellman, RFD, Hollyhock Hill, Randolph, VT, 05060.

Get well wishes to Mrs. Anne Fox who is now at Ledgeview Nursing Home.

Wanda and Peter Coolidge recently entertained guests at a holiday party. An ornament exchange was enjoyed. Colleen demonstrated a flaming halo trick. A good time was had by all.

Hoping all enjoy the holidays.

**Bethel**

A small group enjoyed hymns and carol singing in the community rooms at the Bethel House Dec. 11 in the afternoon.

Four area churches were represented: the Newry Community Church, Locke Mills Church, Church of the Nazarene, and Bethel Alliance Church.

Judith Webster played the piano. Rev. Nathan Seckinger got things started by asking those present to introduce themselves and then for favorite songs. Pastor Rodney Hanscom ended it with a prayer.

Those present: Sylvia Clark of Bryant Pond, Charlotte Cole of Greenwood, and Robert Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanscom, Nancy Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Seckinger, Mr. and Mrs. Drew Webster, Sue Fox, Cindy Millett, Olga Moreau, Becky Sweetser, and Ruth Cummings, all of Bethel.

Charlotte Cole also played her guitar and sang.

It is hoped the group can get together again sometime early in the New Year.

Maybe others would like to join them.

On the evening of Wednesday last, Donald and Arlene Brown of Chapman Street had as supper guests Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuzyk and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown. It was an evening of remembering. Mrs. Kuzyk (Barbara) was matron of honor and Stanley Brown was best man at Don and Arlene's wedding, which took place later in the month in 1944.

**Bryant Pond**

By ALICE HOYT

Judith Grover Tent No. 17 met on Monday, Dec. 12, at Grange Hall.

Louise Hall took Florence Hall grocery shopping on Monday.

Gertrude Hutchins and Florence Hall went on the bus to Rumford on Wednesday.

Clarence Bailey and Rev. Duff called on Lillian Williams and Florence Hall recently.

Gertrude Hutchins attended a Christmas dinner at the school on Thursday.

A group from the Church Choir sang Christmas carols at the Manor Thursday evening.

Iver Marston, his wife Linda and son Kevin called on Aunt Florence on Wednesday.

Thought for the Day: If you see someone without a smile give him one of yours with a Merry Christmas.

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**Elderwood Manor**

By FLORENCE HALL

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**So. Woodstock**

By ANDREA WING

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## East Stoneham

By ELEANOR NELSON

Saturday, Clifford and Pearl Walker from Mechanic Falls called on Albert and Eleanor Nelson.

There was a Christmas tree decorating party at the East Stoneham Church on Saturday. The children of Sunday School took part in this project. On Sunday, Dec. 11, the Church School held a caroling party from 2 to 5 p.m., whereas they went out singing Christmas songs to the shut-ins and elderly. Gladys Kilgore reported that they did a good job and it was much appreciated.

Monday, Craig Millett from Augusta called on his mother, Geneva Tripp, and had dinner with her. He also called on Walter and Carolyn Heino.

Gladys Kilgore went to her podiatrist in Fryeburg on Monday.

Saturday, Dec. 24, at 5 p.m., Christmas Eve Services will be held at the East Stoneham Church, with dedication of the North Waterford Church following at the North Waterford Church. This will be in keeping with the original dedication of the church on Christmas Eve in 1860.

The Stoneham Knight Riders Snowmobile Club held their yearly Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at the Stoneham Fire Station with a potluck supper followed by the business meeting. President Eben Harmon opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. and the secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and accepted. The trails and bridges were discussed and the coming events talked about. It was voted to go ahead and buy the generator needed for the club house. Eben and Alice

Harmon furnished the Christmas tree, which was very prettily decorated, and all 27 members received an exchange gift with much merriment. It was voted, in the meeting, to donate \$25 to the community Christmas tree this year. The community tree and potluck supper took place at the East Stoneham Church on Dec. 15.

At this time I want to wish all you readers and the Bethel Citizen staff peace and goodwill and good health over the Holidays and during the coming New Year!

## Upton

By ARLINE BERNIER

It was my pleasure to receive a large tray full of fruit and goodies from the Nazarene Church and to enjoy a visit with the ladies bringing it; namely Josie Greenwood, Gerry Shimamura and Juanita Korhonen. Such a delightful surprise!

The 3rd annual buck contest at Upton Trading Post ended with the season. The winners were: for biggest, Dennis Kendall of Vermont, who registered a 190-pound animal; Bob Hallet of Massachusetts, who captured the first deer; and Doulen Thomas of Roxbury, who made it under the wire with the last deer.

Among the books available at Upton Trading Post is "Tall Trees and Tough Men," which I have in my library and will recommend as excellent reading.

The selectmen held a meeting Tuesday for the purpose of regular business plus discussion of the dilemma from loss of the town truck and best how to keep town roads passable. They will be putting out bids for contract jobbing.

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the singles with one string of 106 and one of 100. She had six spares and one strike, Karlene had three spares and Gil had three spares.

P.S. I want to thank the Church of the Nazarene for a beautiful fruit basket delivered by my friend Bonnie Learned. God Bless You All!

### North Newry

By GIL SEELEY

The Christmas Program at the Newry Community Church was a joyous get-together with hymns, songs and readings. The children and adults joined in, and Nancy furnished the background music. Readings were by Sue Bowe, Sue Wight and Owen. A prayer was given by Sylvia Wight. A special, "What is Christmas?" was given by Gil Seeley. Chris Bowe passed around some gifts. Coffee and goodies were enjoyed. Pastor Rodney Hanscom and his wife wished everyone a Very Merry Christmas, and everyone followed suit with hugs and kisses. The church will be closed 'til spring.

The Newry Mothers Club celebrated their Christmas with a potluck supper and exchange of gifts on Monday night, Dec. 12, at the Town Building. Business followed after supper with sub-President Karlene Bachelder and Gil Seeley. Treasurer Olive Anderson reported on the finances and correspondence. The mystery prize was won by Peggy Wight. There were Happy Birthday wishes to Nancy Wight. Next month's meeting will be Jan. 9 with a bingo game in the social hour. Bring a wrapped prize to give to the winners. The meeting adjourned and gifts were exchanged. A quiz game followed and Peggy Wight won. Have a great Holiday.

Karlene Bachelder, Betsy Clark, Gil Seeley and Olive Anderson of the "Newry Bowling Gang" were at the Oxford Lanes, Rumford, one day last week. Betsy was high on the triples, lacking only two pins to make a perfect 300. She also was high on

the annual gift was given to the Calvary Congregational Sunday School.

Secret Pals revealed their pals with a gift. New names were drawn. A delicious potluck luncheon was served.

### East Andover

By VIOLET SWAIN

Fifteen members of the East Andover Community Club met at the home of Dolly Jones, on Dec. 12, for the annual Christmas meeting-luncheon. Co-hostess was Barbara Meisner.

The monthly reports were read and accepted. Get well cards had been sent to Grace Simmons and Betty Crowley; sympathy cards to Charlotte Sennett and the Lester White family; a 50th wedding anniversary cake had been sent to Mr. and Mrs. Holman Farrar.

Officers for the next two years were elected as follows: president, Barbara Meisner; first vice president, Betty Moore; second vice president, Lorena Simmons; secretary, Dottie Arsenault; and treasurer, Violet Swain.

The 1995 hostess list was compiled: Feb. 13, D. Arsenault and V. Swain; March 13, M. Stinson and J. Carney; April 10, D. Jones and E. Bell; May 8, L. Farrington and C. Sennett; June 12, P. Farrar and M. Bailey; August, picnic; September, banquet; Oct. 9, G. Allen and L. Simmons; Nov. 13, B. Meisner and D. Jones; Dec. 11, B. Moore and B. Schneider.

The club's year ends Dec. 31, so annual reports will be given in February. In January and July there are no meetings.

### West Bethel

By CONSTANCE BROADBENT

Dear Santa,

We certainly enjoyed your visit at the West Bethel Union Church the other evening. And wasn't it nice to see the new and interesting faces that joined our regular visitors on the evening of the fellowship supper-cum-tree-trim/carol-sing. It was especially wonderful to see the additional children who were in attendance...obviously the news had leaked that you would be arriving at-a-reindeer-on-the-roof.

While I have you in the reading mode, dear large red one of the north, I'd like to pass along a few items from my wish list...

\*I wish that all children could be as happy at all times as they are when they watch you in action...that they could all come to take for granted a pleasingly full tummy and a nice warm home...not to mention the "wished for" c.d. player, the "Baby All Gone", and the dump truck!

\*I wish that people in this village and the next one and the cities of the world could be as pleasant to each other always as they are at this time of year.

\*I wish that the golden years will replace worry with calm, anger with shared joy, anxiety with peace for

all who are benevolently granted the chance and the time to reach such milestones.

\*I wish that the black cat who stalks our goldfinches and juncos and myriad pennies visitors would find a new hunting ground closer to his own home...so sometimes, I'm not so realistic!

\*I wish that the broadcasters whose English sets a standard would stop saying "more perfect", and "the exact same" and "the same as or better than..."

\*I wish that everyone could win a "quillow" once in a while to know the delight that shone in the eyes of Olive Head when she received her prize...to say nothing of the gratification gained from our little yellow church. Who knows who the February winner will be...

\*I wish that my Elsa- the magical stitching wonder- will hold up in the coming months so that there will be more quillows for raffling.

\*I wish that the grange hall that sports the great green roof..kindness of Dennis Wheeler and his crew of steeplejacks...would thrive in spite of the added pressure of increased costs, and the everpresent need for updating. At the recent Christmas meeting/party, members, friends, and visitors, and even a few prospective members enjoyed good food, good fun, and good fellowship...the singing wasn't bad either.

\*I wish that the cholesterol monger that lurks in John Williams' arteries would know sudden death by drugs or other design, so that

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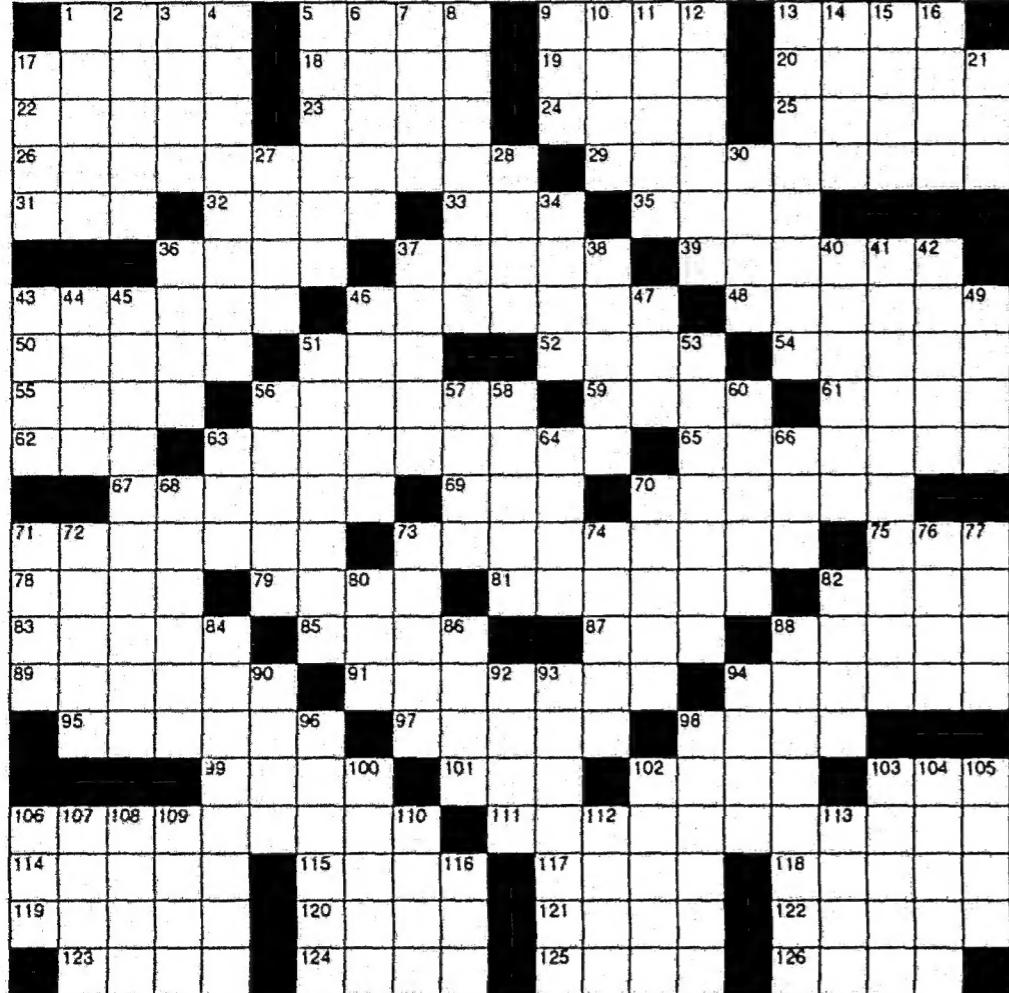
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Safer Families of Oxford County sponsors free and confidential domestic violence services and support groups for presently or formerly abused women. Meetings are held in Bethel at 6:30 p.m. on Thursdays, in Rumford on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and in South Paris at 9:30 p.m. on Tuesdays. The Safer Families toll free 24-hour help and crisis hotline is 1-800-520-4220. Safer Families also provides legal advocacy, for example, help with protection orders. For more information call 824-4222 or 1-800-520-4220 (24 hours a day).

**Library Hours**

Andover Library: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1-4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6 to 8 p.m. Tel. 392-4841.

Bethel Library: Monday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tuesday, 1-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 6-8 p.m.; Thursday, 1-5 p.m.; Friday, 4-8 p.m.; Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Story Hour for preschoolers, Thursday, 10-11 a.m. (September through May). Betsy Raymond, Librarian.

Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond: 665-2505. Library hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. After school 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Hamlin Memorial Library, Paris Hill: Tuesday-Friday, 11:30-5:30; Saturday, 10-2; Wednesday evening, 7-9 p.m. Tel. 743-2980.

West Paris Library, West Paris: Monday 3-5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1:30-7 p.m.; Friday, 1:30-5 p.m.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library, Hanover: Wednesday, 10-12 through July and August. Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.

**Reach**

Rape Ed. and Crisis Hotline 1-800-622-2365. Sexual abuse helpline, 743-9777. Past or present victims of abuse.

**Church Services**

Bethel  
West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. church service and Sunday School. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Sunday at 6 p.m., Monday, 8 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene—Rev. John Grant, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service.

Our Lady of the Snows—Rev. Albert B. Colpitts, Mass-Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Nathan Seckinger, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service.

United Methodist—Rev. Henry S. Nickerson, Pastor, 10:30 a.m. worship and Sunday School.

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9:15 a.m. worship and church school.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service, Woodstock.

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Linwood Hanson, 9:15 a.m. Sunday school. 10:30 a.m. worship service, 6 p.m. evening service.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Michael Cabana, Saturday, 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school, 11 a.m. worship service.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich, 9:45 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship service.

Calvary Congregational Church—Rev. Duane Waite, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school. 10:45 a.m. worship service.

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham Congregational—Rev. Janice Wilcox, 10 a.m. worship in February, April, June, August, October and December. 9 a.m. church school (Oct.-June).

Newry

Newry Community Church—Rodney H. Hanscom, services will resume in the spring.

Albany Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 10:45 a.m. Sunday summer worship, June through September. Rev. Kenneth Corstens, Pastor.

**Monthly Meetings**

First Wednesday: Purity Chapter 102, OES, 6:30 supper, 7:30 meeting. Greenwood Historical Society meets at the Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7:30 p.m.

Gilead selectmen meet at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

First and Third Wednesday: Newry Planning Board, Town Office, 7 p.m.

Second and Fourth Wednesday: Bethel Planning Board meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

First Tuesday: Three Rivers Sportsmans Club, Hanover I of P Hall, 6:30 p.m. potluck supper followed by a meeting.

Second Tuesday: Mundt-Allen Post, American Legion, meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

LaLeche League, nursing mothers, meet at 10 a.m. at area members homes Call 836-3567 for more information.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30 a.m.

Greenwood Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office 7 p.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 6 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

Newry Fire Auxiliary meets at the Town Office, 7 p.m.

Bethel Lodge No 97, AF & AM.

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The Bethel VFW Memorial Post 11363 meets at the Lions Hall on Main Street at 7 p.m.

First and Third Thursday: Jackson-Silver Post, Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Every Friday: Game Party at Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Gore Road, Locke Mills, 6 p.m.

First Friday: The Oxford County Mineral and Gem Association meets at 7 p.m. at the Newry home of Norman and Eleanor Davis, 824-2844.

Third Friday: Mt. Abram Lodge, IOOF, 7:30 p.m.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Third Sunday: Episcopalian House church at Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street, Bethel, 4 p.m., 824-2913.

First Monday: Newry Community Ladies' Circle, 12:30 p.m.

Second and fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for meeting place.

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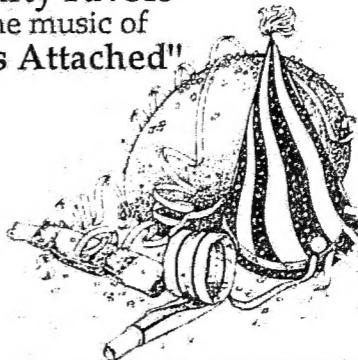
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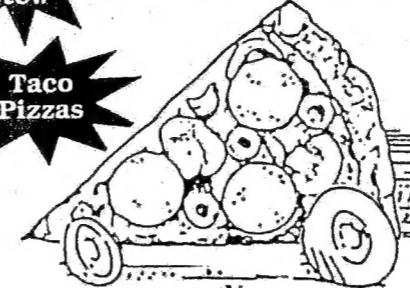


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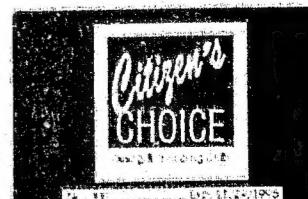
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## THURSDAY EVENING DECEMBER 22, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Cheers	Coach	Movie: "The Journey of Natty Gann"	News	M*A*S*H	Top Cops	H. Patrol				
(5) Shade	Shade	Waltons	Rescue 911	700 Club	Father Dowling Mysteries					
(6) Murphy B.	Roseanne	Mad-You	Friends	Seinfeld	Mad-You	ER				
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	My So-Called Life		Matlock	Primetime Live	News				
(10) MacNeil-Lehrer		Maine, Maine	Mystery!		Belderbecke Tapes	Served				
(11) Sportsctr.	College Basketball: Arizona at Syracuse		College Basketball: Alabama at Tulane			Sportsctr.				
(12) American	News	Christmas in Dixie	Music City Tonight		Club Dance	News				
(13) Ent. Tonight	Edition	Mickey's Christmas Carol	Crylynd Christmas	Eye to Eye		News				
(14) Celtics	Masters	MotorSports Hour	College Basketball: Oklahoma State at Arizona State	Yachting	NBA Action					
(15) Movie: "Fire in the Sky"			Movie: "Knights"			Inside the NFL				
(17) Movie: "Spies"		Better	Honeymooners	Movie: "Funny Girl"						
(18) Last Action Hero*			Movie: "Day of Atonement"	Movie: "Searching for Bobby Fischer"						
(20) Big Ten	Bruins Banner Years: Boston Bruins vs. Edmonton Oilers		College Basketball							
(21) Design. W.	Design. W.	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Max Dugan Returns"		Unsolved Mysteries					
(22) Who's the Boss?		NBA Basketball: Phoenix Suns at Houston Rockets		NBA Basketball: Bullets at Warriors						
(24) Doug	Looney	Jeannie	Bewitched	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Taxi	Newhart	Van Dyke	
(25) Movie: "Citizen Kane"			Movie: "Nothing Sacred"	Movie: "Living It Up"						
(26) Wings	Wings	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: "Freefall"		Wings	Wings				
(27) Rockford Files		Biography	Nutcracker		Law & Order					
(32) Eat Daisies	Eddie's	Hazel	That Girl	Mod Squad	News	Kojak				
(34) Love Con.	Jeffersons	Movie: "Messenger of Death"		News	Night Court	Simon				
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	Primenews	Larry King Live	Year in Review	Sports	Moneyline				

## SUNDAY EVENING DECEMBER 25, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Kung Fu: The Legend		Movie: "Young Sherlock Holmes"			News	AskMgr	H. Patrol	H. Patrol		
(5) Movie: "Roots: The Gift"			Aaron Neville	In Touch			Ben Haden	Ankerberg		
(6) NBA Basketball: New York Knicks at Chicago Bulls			Earth 2				News	Target		
(8) Videos	OurOwn	Lois & Clark-Superman	Movie: "Columbo: A Bird in the Hand"				News	Crusaders		
(10) Creatures Great & Small	Bahl Humpbug!	Masterpiece Theatre	Poldark				Mystery!			
(11) NFL's All-Time Team	NFL Football: Detroit Lions at Miami Dolphins						NFL Sportscenter			
(12) Mechanic	NHRA	Racing	Raceday	Bassmasters	Speed	Trucks	Road Test	Truckin'		
(13) Entertainer		Touched by an Angel	"Snowbound: The Jim and Jennifer Stolpa Story"		News					
(14) Tennis: Grand Slam Cup -- Finals			Zinger Slinger	Golf: Invitational						
(15) "Free Willy" Cont'd	Movie: "Dave"			Movie: "Wayne's World 2"			Dennis M.			
(17) Movie: "The Happiest Millionaire"				Movie: "Howards End"						
(18) Star Trek III		Movie: "The Fugitive"		Movie: "The Beverly Hillbillies"						
(20) World Series Dreams: 1988 Series -- Boston Red Sox vs. New York Mets			English Soccer: Teams TBA	Fulbol						
(21) "The Last to Go" Cont'd	Movie: "Young Pioneers' Christmas"		Comish	Girls' Night Out						
(22) Figure Skating: Stars on Ice		National Geographic Explorer		Earth	Paid Prog.					
(24) You Aloud? R'house	Nick News	M.T. Moore	Bewitched	Lucy Show	Newhart	Taxi	Mork			
(25) "Little Boy Lost" Cont'd	Movie: "Just for You"			Movie: "High Time"						
(26) Indiana Jones and the Temple		Movie: "Freefall"		Silk Stalkings	Wings					
(27) "Auntie Mame" Cont'd	Movie: "Dragonslayer"		Civil War Journal	Caroline's Comedy Hour						
(32) Discover Eddie's	Hazel	That Girl	Mod Squad	News	Black Exp.	Kojak				
(34) Movie: "White Fang"		Highlander: The Series		News	Night Court	Road				
(39) Pinnacle Sport Sun.	Primenews	CNN Presents	World News	Sports	Business					

## FRIDAY EVENING DECEMBER 23, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Cheers	Coach	Movie: "Mervin and Howard"	News	M*A*S*H	Top Cops	H. Patrol				
(5) Nutcracker	Bullock Trail	Branson Chmas	Kenny & Dolly Christmas	700 Club	Father Dowling Mysteries					
(6) Murphy B.	Roseanne	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "All I Want for Christmas"		News					
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Fam. Mat.	Wish	Step by Step	M.C. Cooper	2020	News			
(10) MacNeil-Lehrer	Wash. Wk.	Was. St.	Wait God	Keeping Up	One Foot in the Grave	Served				
(11) Sportsctr.	Up Close	One Fleeting Moment	Uncivil War-Box	Pound for Pound	Sportscenter					
(12) American	News	American Music Show	Christmas With Vinnie Gill		Club Dance	NEWS				
(13) Ent. Tonight	Edition	Disney's Fantasy in Oz	Bunting Bros. Circus	TV Christmas Classics	News					
(14) Pregame	NBA Basketball: Philadelphia 76ers at Boston Celtics	Court	Italian Soccer Highlights	Blanket						
(15) Sunday at the NFL		Movie: "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"	Dennis M.	Movie: "Ground Zero"						
(17) The Christmas Gift		Movie: "The Christmas Visitor"		Movie: "It Happened One Christmas"						
(18) Weekend at the Movies II		Movie: "Ghost in the Machine"	Movie: "The Bodyguard"							
(20) AHL Hockey: Providence Bruins at Providence Bruins		Sneaux Zone								
(21) Design. W.	Design. W.	Bart and Walter	Movie: "The Kid Who Loved Christmas"	Design. W.	Design. W.	Design. W.				
(22) Beast	Boss	Movie: "Children of a Lesser God"	Movie: "The Other Side of the Mountain"							
(24) Doug	Looney	Jeannie	I Love Lucy	M.T. Moore	Taxi	Taxi	Newhart	V.E. Duvivier		
(25) Movie: "Black Beauty"		Movie: "Shepherd of the Hills"	Movie: "Truly, Truly Man"							
(26) Wings	Wings	Murder, She Wrote	Movie: "Rubdown"	Dick Martin	I.M. Martin					
(27) Rockford Files		Biography	Investigative Reports	Ancient Mysteries	Law & Order					
(32) Eat Daisies	Eddie's	Hazel	That Girl	Mod Squad	News	Kojak				
(34) Love Con.	Jeffersons	Movie: "The Trip to Bountiful"		News	Night Court	Simon				
(39) Moneyline	Crossfire	Primenews	Larry King Live	Year in Review	Sports	Moneyline				

## MONDAY EVENING DECEMBER 26, 1994

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) Cheers	Coach	Movie: "A New Life"			News	M*A*S*H	Top Cops	H. Patrol		
(5) Shasta	Shasta	Waltons	Rescue 911		700 Club					
(6) Murphy B.	Roseanne	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Movie: "Once in a Lifetime"		News					
(8) Fortune	Jeopardy!	Craze	Coach	NFL Football: San Francisco 49ers at Minnesota Vikings						
(10) MacNeil-Lehrer	Future	Think Twice	Celebrating Haydn		Served	Benny Hill				
(11) Sportsctr.	NFL Prime Monday		Balkards	Amazing Games	Max Out	Sportsctr.				
(12) American	News	Holiday Country Nights	Music City Tonight		Club Dance	News				
(13) Ent. Tonight	Edition	Nanny	Davies	Murphy B.	Love & War: Chicago Hope	News				
(14) Tootie	W. & Sport	Speedswaters on TV	Thoroughbred	World Cup Luge	NBA Action	Italian Soccer Highlights				
(15) The Sunday Cont'd	Cordis	Movie: "The Crush"	Crypt Tales	Boxing's History: Battles	Movie: "The Getaway"					
(17) Soapdish	Oscar & G.	Avalon	Movie: "The Jason Story"		Canyons					
(18) Harry										

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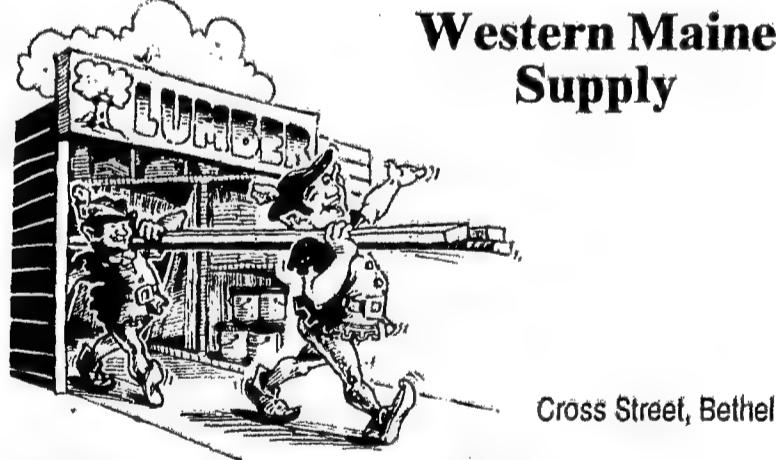
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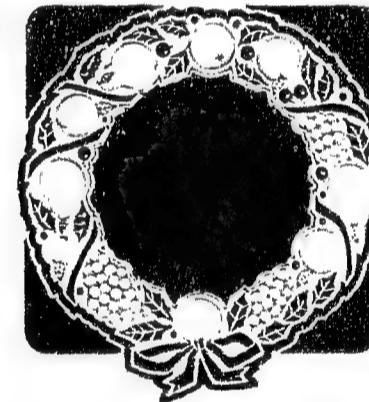
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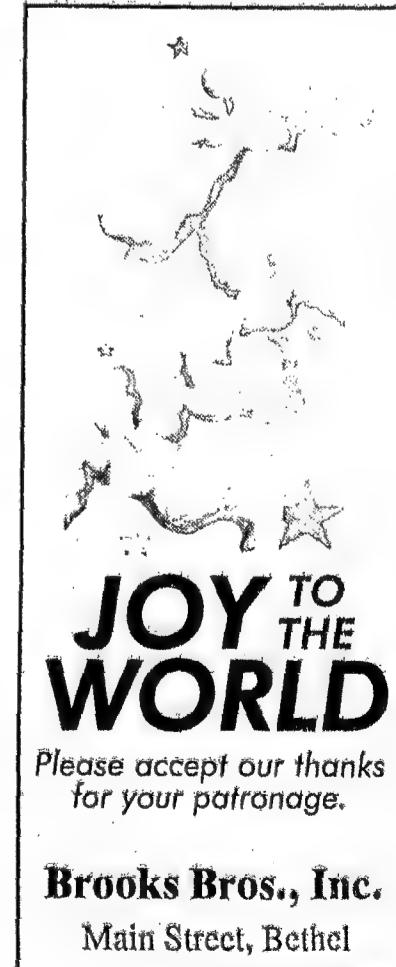
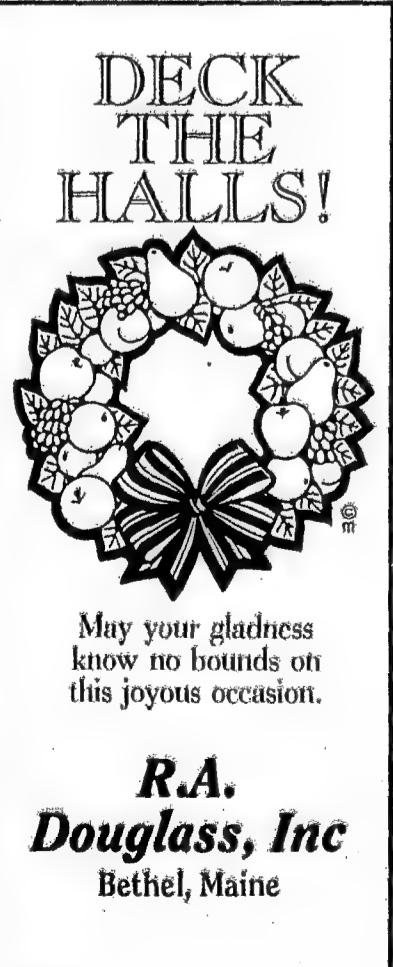


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News from the

**The Bethel Library**

Holiday hours at the Bethel Library will be as follows: Dec. 24 we will close at 3 p.m. instead of 5 p.m.; we will be open Dec. 31 from 1 to 5 p.m. as usual; and on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2 the library will be closed.

It is wonderful to see so much community support for the "Books for Children" fundraising effort. One-hundred children's books were purchased by the Bethel Library and they will be distributed by the Rotary Club to children in need. Donations from all who would like to spread the love of reading this Christmas season will gladly be accepted through the end of December.

Gift/memory books added this week: Kenneth and Gwyneth Bohr gave "King Arthur's 200th An-

niversary Cookbook" to honor Helen Lucas, and Mike and Barbara Brown gave "The Earth Shall Bloom: Shaker Herbs and Gardening" by Galen Beale and Mary Rose Boswell, in memory of Madge Vogt. Stanley Howe presented the library with an autographed copy of his new book, "A Fair Field and No Favor: A Concise History of the Maine State Grange."

John Head, Lucia and Eric Schwarz, Margaret Joy Tibbetts, Jean Monzo, and Elizabeth Mason Carter all donated books or magazines to the library's collection. Thanks to all of these generous patrons for their valuable contributions to the Bethel Library. Betsy Raymond Librarian

**CHILDCARE VOLUNTEER**

The Abused Women's Advocacy Project is looking for someone with childcare experience to volunteer one evening a week to assist with childcare for the Rumford Women's Support Group. This is a two-hour weekly commitment. Short additional training will be provided. If interested, please call 369-0750 for more information.

**MASTER YOUR MONEY**

The Bethel Alliance Church will sponsor Ron Blue's "Master Your Money Series," starting on the second Sunday evening in January at 6 p.m. It will cover such topics as: how much is enough? putting the magic of compounding to work, planning for your financial future, finding money you never knew you had, managing your cash flow.

All are welcome. Call 824-2289.

The following students have been named to the first trimester honor roll at Gould Academy.

**SENIORS**

**High honors:** Kendra Hutchinson of Bethel, Nancy Morgan of Bethel. **Honors:** Leah Bonnema of Bethel, Tamara Bucknell-Pogue of West Hartford, Conn., Brian Callahan of Teton Village, Wyo., Ian Cleary of Shallowater, N.H., Corey Coogan of Eaton, N.H., Keavy Cook of Dover, N.H., Jill Huntsberger of Kennebunk, Ben Kamilewicz of Yarmouth, Marie Lowell of Bethel, Anna Mosca of Lovell, Joanna Owen of Friendship, Melissa Rose of Dharan, Saudi Arabia, Christine Shaner of Norway, Allen Siegrist of East Petersburg, Pa., Jessica Trundy of Rumford, Daniel Varisco of Duxbury, Mass., Scott Vaughan of Cumberland Foreside, Abigail Wiggin of Stratham, N.H.

**JUNIORS**

**High honors:** Anneliese Bass of Bethel, Benjamin Stockwell of Bridgton.

**HONORABLE MENTION**

**Honors:** Colrain Balch of Wilton, Ian Bissonnette of Sutton, Quebec, Bonnie Crocker of Bethel, Jennifer Curley of Alna, Angela Grajewski of Stockton Springs, Mark Harries of Bally, Pa., Darby Hickey of Bryant Pond, Jason Howard of Union, Elin Jonsson of Nacka, Sweden, Molley Maloney of Jackson, N.H., Hannah Quirby of Creedmoor, N.C., Tarek Rached of Washington, D.C., Chloe Tartaglia of Alfred, N.Y.

**SOPHOMORES**

**High honors:** Amos Hausman-Rogers of Albany, Scot Sawyer of Waterford, Jonathan Wood of North Bridgton, Brett Harvey of Bethel, Genevieve Wood of Randolph, N.H.

**Honors:** Michael Cleary of Shelburne, N.H., Dana Drummond of Conway, N.H., Nathan Garlick of Boca Raton, Fla., Asher Ghertner of Sodus, N.Y., Samuel Harrity of Wayland, Mass., David Herberich of Akron, Ohio, Daniel LeBlanc of Plymouth, N.H., Shelley MacQuinn of Bar Harbor, David Riss of Madison, N.H., Margaret Shaner of Norway, Joshua Wharton of Nottingham, N.H.

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Gould's men's JV team's top point getters.

**Backcountry medical course offered**

Wilderness Medical Associates will sponsor an intensive backcountry medical training course in Bryant Pond from Jan. 23 to Feb. 14.

This 162-hour, hands-on EMT plus Wilderness EMT course will enable students to deal with medical emergencies when they are miles from help and dialing 911 is not an option.

The course is designed for all outdoor leaders and enthusiasts who are also interested in working in the field of pre-hospital emergency care: rural ambulance providers, rescue team members and other medical professionals who often work in areas with transport times of greater than one hour.

Wilderness medicine differs from traditional first aid in three respects. First, transport times are measured in hours and days rather than minutes, so many phases of patient care that usually occur in a hospital must be carried out in the field. Second, severe environments dramatically increase the complexity of any emergency and heighten risks to patients and rescuers alike. Third, limited equipment makes improvisation and

resourcefulness essential skills.

These issues and more will be addressed by professional instructors from Wilderness Medical Associates. Over 18 days, skills will be developed for use in the field, whether it's a national park, or the high seas. Classes are fast-paced with an emphasis on practical skills. Mornings are devoted to lectures, while afternoons and evenings are spent outside working on everything from litter construction to full-scale rescue simulations. Realistic simulations, complete with fake wounds and stage blood, will be conducted. All simulations will be videotaped and debriefed for enhanced learning. Past graduates commonly report of subsequent real-life rescues, "It felt just like a simulation."

Graduates will receive WEMT plus Wilderness EMT course completion certificates from Central Maine Technical College. Upon successful completion of the course, one is eligible to take the National Registry exam.

Call the 24-hour message line (800) 742-2931, for further information.

**SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

R.E.A.C.H. (the Rape Education and Crisis Hotline serving all of Oxford County) will provide training for sexual assault hotline advocates beginning in January. The hotlines provide around-the-clock assistance for victims and survivors of sexual assault, and their loved ones. Advocates answer questions, inform callers about legal, medical, and counseling services available to them, and support them in their healing.

The 10-week training will cover subjects such as Rape Trauma Syndrome, incest issues, domestic violence, medical needs, community resources, social attitudes, advocacy skills and crisis intervention.

Upon completion of the training program, advocates are asked to volunteer five 12-hour shifts of on-call time per month. A pager system is used, allowing advocates full freedom to have active, constructive days while on call.

Qualities that make an effective advocate are good listening skills, a caring manner, and an ability to let callers know what their options are so that the caller can make their own decision.

Training will be held on Monday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Oxford Hills High School. For more information, please call the R.E.A.C.H. office at 743-9777 or the Oxford Hills Adult Education Office at 743-8842.

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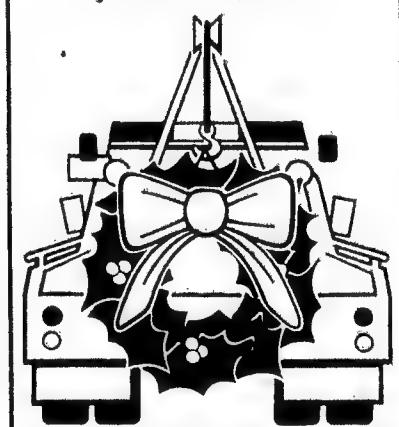
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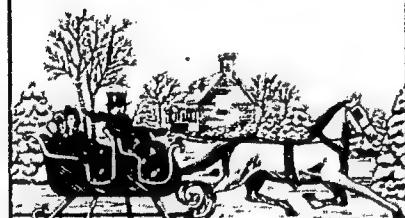
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We've come a long way since the horse-drawn carriage, but our commitment to family traditions and old-fashioned values remains the same.

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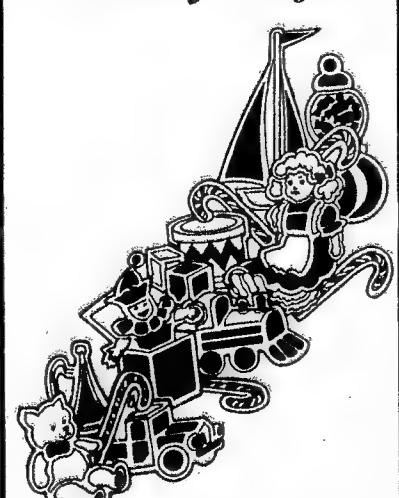
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# Telstar, Gould sports

## Boys' basketball

### Mt. Valley 79, Telstar 68

Telstar High School boys lost 79-68 Monday evening to Mt. Valley. The Falcons had only a slim 58-54 lead going into the fourth quarter, but the Rebels sent Mt. Valley to the free-throw line too often and the Falcons took advantage. Todd Wing sank 27 points for Telstar.

The Rebels are scheduled to play Dirigo at home Thursday, Dec. 22, with JV play at 5:30 p.m. and the varsity game at 7 p.m.

### Carrabec 95, Telstar 83

Todd Wing scored 25 points Thursday, Dec. 15, against Carrabec, but it wasn't enough to give the Rebels the win. Telstar lost 95-83 to the Cobras.

The Rebels led in the first half, but Carrabec overcame a 36-29 deficit in the second half for the win.

### Buckfield 58, Gould 54

The Gould Academy boys lost 54-58 in overtime Tuesday, Dec. 13, to Buckfield. Toji Pearlman was high scorer with 14 points. Ian Cleary had 12 and Lanny Popola 10.

The boys are scheduled to play at the Hyde School Saturday, Jan. 7 at 2:30 p.m.

### JV: Buckfield 69, Gould 52

Gould's men's JV team lost 69-52 to Buckfield on Tuesday, Dec. 13. Gould point getters were: Nate Garlick, 20; Darren Wigley, 11; Chris Millet, 10 and Josh Smilovitz, nine.

## Girls' basketball

### Jay 55, Telstar 41

Telstar's girls' basketball team lost to Jay 55-41 Friday, Dec. 16.

The Rebels led 20-16 at the end of the first quarter. But in foul trouble early, the Rebels were forced to slow down the pace and substitute less, according to coach Ray Seames. Telstar was down at the half by just three, he said, and Jay was unable to put the game away until the middle of the fourth period.

"The Rebel defense was anchored by strong play from co-captains Jill Olson and Laura Seames," the coach said. "Guards Beth Howe and Sarah Richardson put consistent pressure on the offense. Friday's game also saw a strong defensive effort from M.J. Learned, who came off the bench early in the first quarter, and from Sarah Seames, who played three different positions."

The girls are scheduled to play this Friday at Carrabec.

### Telstar 51, Lisbon 35

The Telstar High School girls' basketball team broke a 34-game losing streak Tuesday, Dec. 13, by beating Lisbon 51-35 in a Mountain Valley Conference girls' match-up (see story page one).

### TMS 25, Gorham 21

Emily Phillips scored 10 points and had 11 steals, leading Telstar Middle School to a 25-21 victory over Gorham, N.H. on Thursday, Dec. 15. Phillips' six points in the fourth quarter brought Telstar back from a 21-15 deficit.

Erin Osgood netted eight points. Jen Walker had four and Mandy Berry had one. "Solid rebounding by Osgood and a smart defense by Berry kept Telstar in the game," said coach Barb Russell.

### Mt. Blue 40, TMS 17

Telstar Middle School's girls lost 40-17 to Mt. Blue on Monday, Dec. 12. Emily Phillips was high scorer with eight points. Jen Walker had four points, Jenny Wheeler, three and Mandy Berry, two.

## The Bethel Citizen

for local sports coverage

### MARIONETTES PERFORM

Dan Butterworth & His Marionettes appeared Thursday, Dec. 15, in the Helen C. Berry Auditorium at Telstar High School. The performance of dancing marionettes was presented to middle school and high school students in two shows and included mime, modern dance and ballet done to synthesizer, rock, jazz, classical and primitive music. Each show is geared to its particular audience by age group, and Thursday Butterworth and Tim Morehouse performed "Carnival," a re-creation of a 19th century carnival.

The hand-carved marionettes costumed as clowns, monsters and comic opera singers danced on the stage, flew through the air and moved out through the audience, landing on teachers' heads and curling up on students' laps, all accompanied by a wonderful blend of music and lights.

A demonstration of construction and manipulation was offered at the conclusion of the performance, which was presented by the Mahoosuc Arts Council in cooperation with SAD44.



PICKLE PREP—Jessica Brough (left) and Amanda Gilbert slice up pickles last week for a pre-Christmas lunch. The Crescent Park School fourth-graders were assisted by classroom volunteer Yuvonne Newell, who also roasted a turkey to go along with the meal for Linda Gilbert's class.

(Photo by Wendy Haricom)

### TAX VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are being sought by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be trained to help taxpayers, free of charge, during the Jan. 1 through April 17 tax filing season.

The volunteers, once trained by the IRS, help taxpayers with their tax returns at locations in libraries, community centers, schools and churches. Or they help set up sites to provide assistance.

This free tax assistance is specifically aimed at persons with relatively low income, non-English speaking persons, the elderly and people with disabilities.

Those interested in being tax assistance volunteers should call the IRS Volunteer Coordinator at 622-8328 (Augusta) or write Internal Revenue Service, Attn.: Volunteer Coordinator, 68 Sewall Street, Augusta, ME 04330.

### NUTRITION COUNCIL SEEKS AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Maine Nutrition Council is currently seeking nominations for the annual Katherine Musgrave Public Service Award. The purpose of this award is to publicly recognize people and programs who have made outstanding contributions in one or more of the following nutrition-related areas: public policy, consumer education, adult or youth education and research.

Individuals, organizations and institutions working in Maine are eligible. Nomination forms may be obtained by contacting Leah Rae Donahue, P.O. Box 856, Bar Harbor, ME 04609; phone 288-4267. Deadline for nominations is Jan. 10.

### From the UM Cooperative Extension:

## In tribute to woodland owners

According to the latest U.S. Forest Service survey of Maine, there are 180,000 nonindustrial private forestland owners in the state — 80,000 of them with 10 acres or more.

It has been estimated by state and industry sources that up to one-half of all wood used in Maine sawmills and pulp mills comes from these small, independently-owned woodlots. The nonindustrial lands are thus a substantial part of the overall economic resource of Maine's forestland that supplies 25,740 jobs in forest-based manufacturing and 24,600 jobs in forest-based recreation, contributing \$7.4 billion to Maine's economy (data from Northeastern Forest Alliance). The forests are, at the same time, a renewable natural resource.

Woodlots owned by families and individuals are distributed throughout the state, in almost every

municipality. They protect water resources, help purify the air and provide habitat for all species of wildlife. Because of location and ownership patterns they add diversity to the environment and yield a diversity of products for the economy. In addition, they provide the green backdrop that Maine people and visitors to the state value so highly.

All these resources are provided at the landowner's expense. Yet the public has little understanding of this. Instead, landowners are increasingly squeezed by rising taxes and proliferation of state and local regulations — all of which add to their costs and ultimately hamper their efforts at sound, long-term management. These pressures often force the conversion of land to other uses — directly counter to the wishes or intent of most citizens, who would like to keep the woodlands intact.



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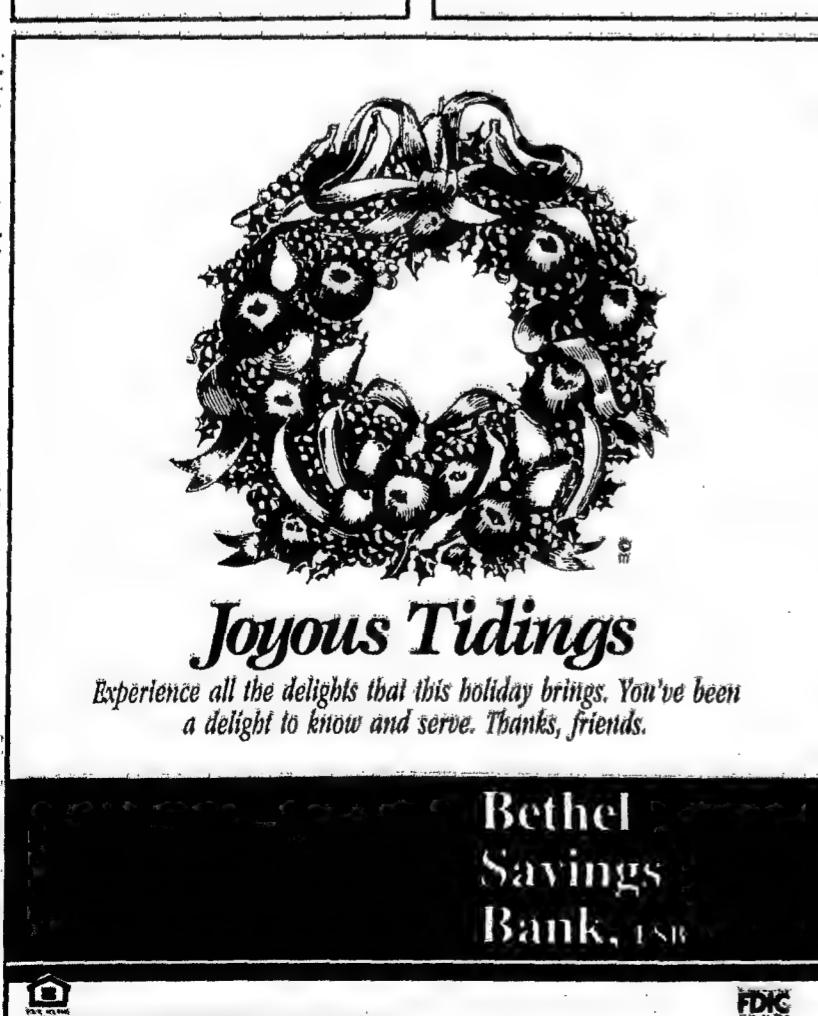
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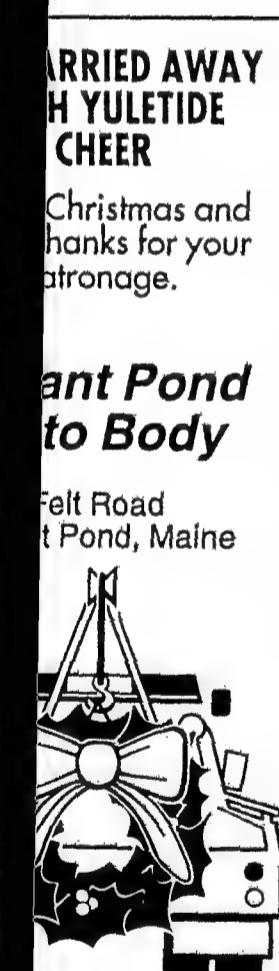
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**SANTA DROPS IN, HIS DRAWERS MAKE THE ROUNDS**  
Santa Claus gives Dot Bean a big hug at the Bethel Seniors Christmas Dinner (left), as Joyce Bennett, Hope Tibbets, Barbara Bryant and others look on. Rumor has it that Bill Cousins was also somewhere about. The dinner was held Wednesday at The Madison in Rumford. While the night before (right), a pair of Santa drawers, held up here by town clerk Merton Brown, proved a well circulated item at the Bethel town employees' Christmas party, held at Crescent Park School. (Photos by Helen Saunders, left, and Francis Dumont)



## Bethel seniors celebrate Christmas

Bethel Senior Citizens celebrated Christmas on Dec. 14 with a dinner party at The Madison in Rumford. Eighty people enjoyed a delicious chicken dinner and delightful Christmas songs sung by Gould Academy's Chantelles and Portobello under the direction of Mr. Nelson. Santa Claus (a.k.a. Bill Cousins) delivered gifts and added to the merriment.

A moment of silence was held for Mar. Corkum, who passed away on Dec. 9.

Bath lads celebrated were: Marie

Barker, Eleanor Brown, Julia Brown, Musa Brown, Camilla Everett, Bertha Foster, Richard Hosterman, Rodney Howe, Gertrude Hutchins, Melburne Hutchins, Ruby Judkins, Josephine Kendall, Ethel Martin, Mary Paine, Ernest Perkins, Harold Powell, Freda Robertson, Edith Rowe, Sarah Stevens, Margery Swan, Lillian Sowersby, Adelia Waterhouse, Olive Williams, Edna York.

The January meeting will be on the 11th at the Bethel Methodist Church.

### Attention Parents:

The Bethel Express Corp. is offering a "M.V.P. shuttle" weekend nights and every night during holiday periods. The shuttle will leave each night at 6:30, 7:30 and 8:30 from the Veterans memorial statue, across from the Irving Station. The shuttle will make returning trips at 9:00, 10:00 and 11:00 arriving back at the statue approximately fifteen minutes later. The cost of this shuttle is \$5.00 round trip. The only passengers allowed on this shuttle will be those going to M.V.P.'s chem-free lounge at South Ridge. Please feel free to call with any questions regarding this or any of our other services.

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## Bethel Express Corp. introduces the "Ski-Lift Shuttle" Special Pre-Holiday Weekend Rates!

This Friday & Saturday (December 23, 24) Bethel Express Corp. will be offering our new "Ski-Lift Shuttle" at discounted rates. Ride the new "Ski-Lift Shuttle" for only \$2.00 each way (normally \$5.00 round trip) from any of our convenient shuttle stops to Sunday River Ski Resort. After a day of excellent skiing, ride the "Ski-Lift Shuttle" home for the same unbelievable rate! This weekend only pay the driver or buy a ticket but catch the shuttle at these convenient times and locations.

### Shuttle #1- Morning - Departure Times/ Place

8:00 AM - Chamberlain Condos  
8:15 AM - Riverbend Condos  
8:45 AM - Chamberlain Condos  
9:00 AM - Riverbend Condos  
9:30 AM - Chamberlain Condos  
9:45 AM - Riverbend Condos  
10:15 AM - Chamberlain Condos  
10:30 AM - Riverbend Condos

### Shuttle #1- Afternoon - Return Times

2:30 PM - Return to Riverbend & Chamberlain  
3:30 PM - Return to Riverbend & Chamberlain  
4:30 PM - Return to Riverbend & Chamberlain

### Also beginning this weekend!

### "Bethel Bar Shuttle"(the BBS)

Start your evening with a taxi ride anytime from Bethel Express at 824-4646! Continue your evening with the "BBS" with hourly service (from 8:00 PM 'till midnight) between local night spots at \$2.00 per trip. Finish your evening with a safe, fun trip home via Bethel Express. Avoid a costly encounter and leave the driving to us.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Shuttle service will be available to other Inns and B&B's. Please check at the front desk of your Inn for availability. Tickets are available throughout town for other dates. All "Ski-Lift Shuttles" arrive and depart from Southridge Lodge Ticket Center. \*Departures from Town Common are across the Street from the Chapman Inn.

For information and reservations please call Bethel Express at 824-4646

**See you on the "Ski-Lift Shuttle!"**

### West Bethel

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John/a.k.a. Santa could continue with his awe-inspiring ministry in the aforementioned yellow church and the community that surrounds. \*I wish that the grown-ups of the world could take a lesson from the children of that same world so that we the people could get on with our lives without having to concern ourselves with war and famine and injustice, or petty jealousies or projection masked as finger pointing... If the trust of the Caylas, the Alisons and the Alexises... the friendliness of the Joshes and the Brads, the Lauras and the Cristies...the gentleness of the Tyers, the Megans and the Maries, the Justines and the Ambers... The enthusiasm of the Casandras, the Annies, the girl Morgans... and the fearless joy of the Ericas and the boy Morgans of our ken...could somehow be assimilated by those of us well past the age of reason... how reasonable and safe and happy and peaceful our world would become!

\*I wish, Dear Santa, that you will continue, unhampered, to spread the good word as you dispense with the cheer, the charm, and the checkers. And, if I may be allowed one grandiose, but ever-so-hopeful desire...I

wish for the day to arrive in your lifetime and mine that the G.I. Joe doll will gather dust in the attic of oblivion while the game of Peace is a sellout!

Seasons Greetings to you and Mrs. S...hugs to the deer.  
Love,  
C.B.

### BETHEL NATIVITY BRINGS HOLIDAY SEASON TO LIFE

More than 200 people attended Bethel's 35th annual Living Nativity on Sunday, Dec. 18.

Jeff and Cheryl Healey and their two-month-old son, Jeff, portrayed the Holy Family.

The Bethel Rotary Club built a new manger for this year's performance. Materials for the stable were donated at cost by Western Maine Supply.

### NOTES FROM

### Telstar Guidance

On Thursday, Jan. 12, there will be a Financial Aid Workshop for juniors and seniors and their parents at 7 p.m. in the Telstar High School lecture hall. Guest speakers will be Ron Milliken, financial aid director at the University of Maine at Farmington and Judge St. Pierre from the Finance Authority of Maine (FAME).

The workshop will consist of a step-by-step explanation of how to obtain financial aid for any type of post-secondary education and how to fill out the necessary forms.

Refreshments will be served and the workshop will end at 9 p.m.

### REMINGTON AND MULLEN NOMINATED AS ALL-STARS

Telstar High School's Tim Remington and Kevin Mullen were nominated to the Western Maine Class C All-star soccer team.

Remington and Mullen were honored recently at a banquet in Orono. Remington has also been named to the U.S. Olympic "77 team," a developmental soccer program for people born in 1977.

### BETHEL TRANSFER STATION CLOSED DEC. 25 AND JAN. 1

The Town of Bethel transfer station on Route 2 will be closed on Christmas and New Year's days.

The station will be open on the following Mondays, Dec. 26 and Jan. 2, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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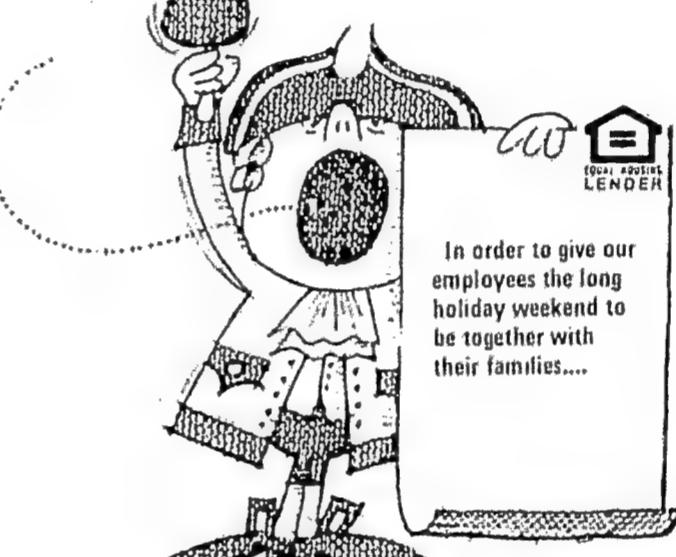
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### Trails in

by ALISON ALOISIO

A coalition of recreation organizations inventory existing trails in the Bethel area and cooperative effort to expand trail network.

At a meeting last week by Mahoosuc Land Trust director Marcel Pease, representatives of organizations including snowmobile clubs, Appalachian Mountain Bound, Friends of the Greenway, Western Maine Jeepers, Androscoggin Sunday River Ski Patrol, Bethel Conservation Commission planned the first steps. The groups had previously met monthly.

Coalition members combination of multi-use trails would meet the needs of all concerned, including old country roads as multi-use trails, trails for special uses.

Androscoggin Land Trust representative Julie Isbell said participants eventually will define the area in which to focus their efforts.

Several group meetings

The Mundi-Alien Legion Auxiliary held a potluck dinner Tuesday, Dec. 13.

A potluck dinner our hard-working Buswell, Fumi Head,

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## Trails inventory proposed

By ALISON ALOISIO

A coalition of recreational and conservation organizations plans to inventory existing recreational trails in the Bethel area as part of a cooperative effort to improve and expand trail networks.

At a meeting last week facilitated by Mahoosuc Land Trust executive director Marcel Polak, about 20 representatives of organizations including snowmobile clubs, the Appalachian Mountain Club, Outward Bound, Friends of the Androscoggin, Western Maine Mountain Jesters, Androscoggin Land Trust, Sunday River Ski Resort and the Bethel Conservation Commission, planned the first steps as a coalition. The groups had previously met last month.

Coalition members agreed that a combination of multi- and special-use trails would best serve the needs of all concerned, with logging and old county roads serving as multi-use trails, and connecting trails for special use, as a general rule.

Androscoggin Land Trust representative Julie Isbill suggested participants eventually choose a geographic feature, such as a river, to define the area in which they would focus their efforts.

Several group members stressed

the need to respect the wishes of landowners, especially smaller property owners, in the organization and use of trail networks.

Bill Fornshell of the Sunday River Inn and Cross Country Ski Center suggested that individuals or groups take responsibility for maintaining and patrolling sections of trails.

Landon Fale of Outward Bound agreed, "Small landowners need to know who they can call if there is a problem, and know it will be taken care of. The trails shouldn't be a burden to them," he said.

Rick Young of the Greenstock Snowmobile Club added, "People need to realize that it is private land and the use may be restricted. It is a privilege to use the land, not a right."

Although Maine has statutes protecting landowners from liability resulting from use of their land, Young said some snowmobile clubs carry insurance that pays the legal fees of landowners if someone attempts to bring a lawsuit against them.

Isbill praised the snowmobile clubs' efforts in the insurance area.

"The same system could be used by other groups," she said.

Coalition members decided to begin work on trail inventories at the next meeting Jan. 10.

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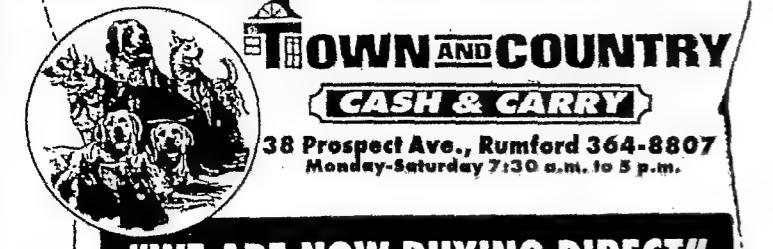
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- a. Type of application: New License
- b. Project Nos.: 2528, 2527, 2194, 2531, 2529, 2530
- c. Date of Application Filed: December 17 and 18, 1991 Date Offer of Settlement Filed: November 28, 1994
- d. Applicant: Central Maine Power Company
- e. Name of Projects: Cataract, Skellon, Bar Mills, West Buxton, Bonny Eagle, and Hirain Projects.
- f. Location: On the Saco River; York, Cumberland, and Oxford Counties; Maine
- g. Filed pursuant to: Federal Power Act, 16 U.S.C. 791 (a) - 825 (f)
- h. Applicant Contact: Gerald C. Poulin Vice President, Engineering Central Maine Power Company Edison Drive Augusta, ME 04336 (207) 623-3521
- i. FERC Contact: Bob Bell (202) 219-2808
- j. Deadline dates: comments due: January 3, 1995 reply comments due: January 17, 1995
- k. A joint offer of Settlement among Central Maine Power Company, Maine Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission, Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Maine Department of Marine Resources; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Maine State Planning Office; National Marine Fisheries Service; Saco River Salmon Club; Trout Unlimited; Atlantic Salmon Federation; American Rivers, Inc.; Maine Council, Atlantic Salmon Federation; Maine Council, Trout Unlimited; the city of Saco; the city of Biddeford; New Hampshire Department of Fish and Game; and Swans Falls Corporation was filed with the commission on November 28, 1994. Comments and reply comments concerning the Offer of Settlement are due as listed above. The Draft Environmental Impact Statement which addresses both the licensing actions on the above mentioned Saco River projects and the Offer of Settlement has been issued.
- l. Available Location of the Offer of Settlement: A copy of the Offer of Settlement is available for inspection and reproduction at the Commission's Public Reference and File Maintenance Branch, located at 1941 North Capitol Street, N.E., Room 3104, Washington, D.C., 20426, or by calling (202) 208-1371. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at Central Maine Power Company, Edison Drive, Augusta, Maine 04336

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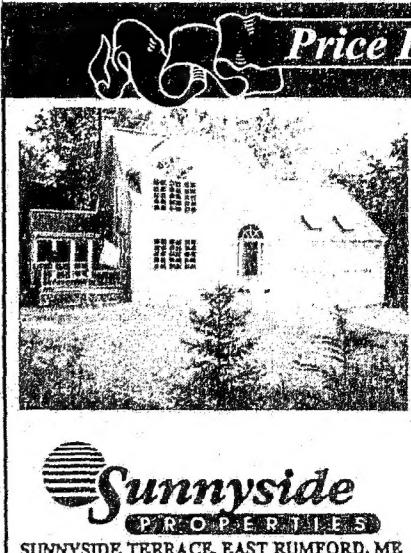
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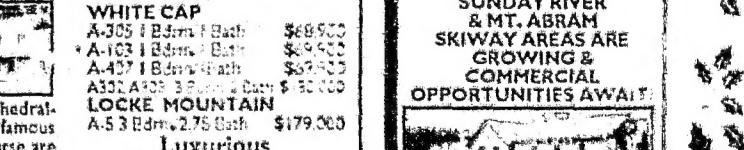
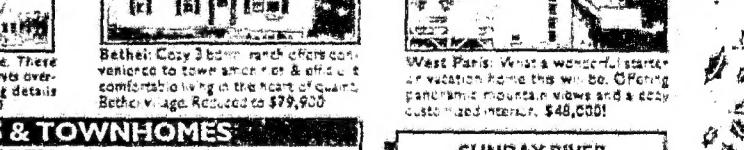
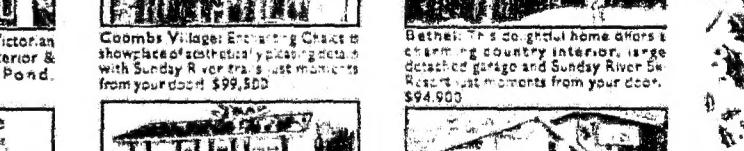
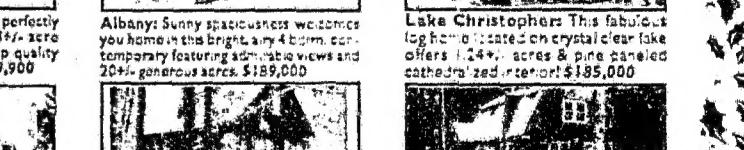
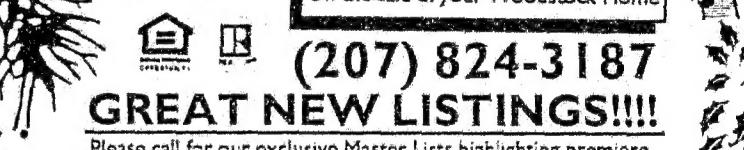
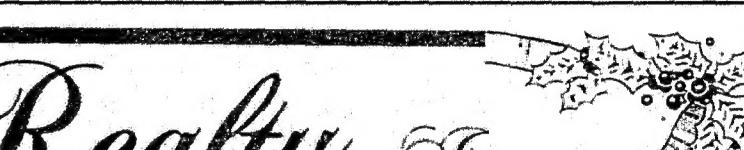
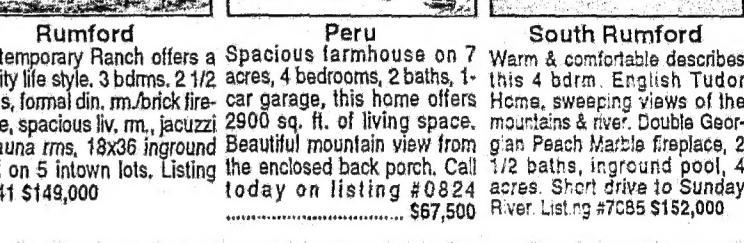


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## Obituaries

### FRANCES R. HEATH

Frances Rose Heath, 65, of the West Lovell Road, Lovell, died Tuesday evening, Dec. 12, 1994, at Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital, Bridgton.

She was born in East Stoneham, daughter of Henry and Eula Parker Trimback and was educated in Stoneham and North Waterford schools and Bridgton Academy. She lived in Lovell for the past 40 years and worked as a housekeeper for several local families. She was a member of the Lovell VFW Auxiliary, the Lovell Fireman's Auxiliary and a former member of the Lovell United Church of Christ.

Surviving are her husband of 48 years, Albert Henry Heath Jr. of Lovell; a son, Albert H. Jr. of North Waterford; daughter Penny Allen of Lovell; three sisters: Helen Smith of Rumford, Barbara Millett of North Waterford and Henrietta Lovejoy of Fryeburg; and five grandchildren.

A memorial graveside service was held Friday, Dec. 16, at #4 Cemetery in Lovell. If desired, donations may be made to the Fryeburg Rescue, P.O. Box 177, Fryeburg, ME 04037.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the Bethel Ambulance staff, the medical staff at Stephens Memorial Hospital Emergency Room and to Dr. Andalkar who immediately operated. The concern and care received while at S.M.H. and to our children and families who stood by when we needed a shoulder to lean on. Many thanks to family, friends and organizations who sent cards, flowers, the visits and phone calls. We appreciate all your concerns.

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### MERTON W. BLOOD

Merton W. Blood, 74, of Lovell, died Saturday morning, Dec. 17, 1994, at Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital, Bridgton.

He was born in Woodstock, son of Lester and Retha Perkins Blood. He worked his entire life as a woodsman and millwright for Gerry Lumber in Lovell. He enjoyed all sports, owned several stock cars, and in 1971 his car won the Oxford Speedway Track Championship. He also coached Little League and Pony League baseball. He was a hunter and a rock collector.

Mr. Blood was a World War II Army veteran and a member of the Lovell V.F.W.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Barbara Kimball Blood of Lovell; three sons: Stephen, Roderick and Scott of Lovell; three daughters: Patricia Thurston of Lovell, Carol Flanders of Norway,

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all our special neighbors, friends and family for all their prayers, support and sympathies whether it be by cards, calls, flowers, food and/or hugs. You have all helped to make a tough time easier.

A special thanks to Dr. Medd; Dr. Story, the staff of Stephens Memorial Hospital; Karen Berry and staff of Androscoggin Home Health, Rodney Hanscom and "Tink" Conkright for all your special support.

We are truly grateful

The Family of Bernard Powers

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## Christmas Services

Several local churches are planning special Christmas services along with Sunday worship on Dec. 25. The following church services are scheduled for Dec. 23, 24 and 25.

West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel -- Christmas Eve services at 7 and 11 p.m. The 7 p.m. service will feature readings and carols for all ages. The 11 p.m. service will also include Holy Communion. Sunday worship begins at 10:30 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene in Bethel -- On Dec. 24 at 4 p.m., a gathering will be held in the Route 232 barn of Philip and Juanita Korhonen. For directions or more information call Rev. Grant at 824-3766. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m. on Christmas Day, with worship services from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Our Lady of the Snows in Bethel -- Christmas Mass, Dec. 24 at 4:30 p.m.

Bethel Alliance Church in Bethel -- Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. Sunday worship at 10 a.m.

United Methodist Church in Bethel -- Christmas Eve services at 7:30 and 11 p.m. Childcare will be provided at both services. Christmas Day worship at 10:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union Church in West Bethel -- Traditional candlelight service of lessons and carols at 7 p.m. Sunday worship at 9:15 a.m.

Pleasant Valley Bible in West Bethel -- Christmas Day worship service at 10 a.m.

First Congregational Church in Andover -- Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. with carols followed by a reception in the Christian Education Building. Sunday worship at 10 a.m. with lessons and carols.

Calvary Congregational Church in Andover -- Christmas Eve service of testimonies and carols at 6 p.m. Sunday School Dec. 25 at 9:30 a.m. and worship at 10:45 a.m. New Years Eve gathering from 9 p.m. until midnight.

Locke Mills Union Church in Locke Mills -- candlelight Christmas Eve service at the Rumford Point Church, with lessons, carols and communion. Sunday worship in Locke Mills at 10:30 a.m.

Bryant Pond Baptist Church in Woodstock -- Christmas Day worship service with carols at 10:30 a.m. and evening service at 6 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church in South Woodstock -- Worship service Dec. 24 with the Christmas story in scripture and music at 11 a.m.

Oxford County United Parish -- Christmas Eve candlelight service at the East Stoneham Congregational Church at 5 p.m., including choir music, carols, Christmas readings, young people's time and a nativity scene. Following the service there will be a gathering on the lawn of the North Waterford Church for carol singing and prayer. Christmas Day worship service at 10 a.m. at the East Stoneham Church.

### THOUGHTS FROM THE Pastor's Study

The Bethel Area Clergy Association, with the help of pastors of surrounding churches, brings you these meditations. Not based on any set theme, they will be individual for each pastor. It is hoped you will find in these words comfort and hope for your daily life.

This Christmas take your children window shopping.

The real story behind Christmas isn't in store windows. Or for that matter beautiful trees or wonderful family dinners. The true meaning of Christmas is found behind church windows.

In most churches around the world during this time of year the focus is on Immanuel, which means god with us! Just think of that title not God at a distance but here moment by moment. So often because of our business or choices God seems so far away. Yet repeatedly in both the old and new testaments the truth is just the opposite. It is always the Lord who searches for us. It is al-

ways the Lord who waits with open arms for his people to return. It was the Lord who sent His son for us that we might have a personal relationship with him.

So with this message in mind, as you go about preparing for Christmas, when all the packages are wrapped and the cards are sent, remember this, you have a Savior that wants more than anything to meet you this year. Take the time this year to find the true meaning of Christmas. And please don't forget that in a religion that was born in a barn, an open door goes without saying.

God is with us!

Pastor Nathan B. Seckinger

The Bethel Alliance Church

Keith and Rebecca Ryerson of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby girl, Hannah Elizabeth, born Dec. 12, 1994, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 7 lbs, 5 ozs.

Maternal grandparents are Joe and Sandra Endicott of Locke Mills.

Paternal grandparents are Wanda Ryerson of Bethel and Craig Ryerson of West Paris.

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I want to thank all who attended my Post-masters Installation on Thursday, December 8th and also thank you for the use of the meeting room at the Town Office.

Crystal Lake

### Card of Thanks

We wish to express our appreciation to Les Otten and the staff of the Sunday River Summit Inn for providing the facilities and refreshments for the Memorial Service of Bernard Powers. Thank you for all your help and kindness. We would also like to thank everyone who shared their memories with us at the Memorial Service.

The family of Bernard Powers

### Card of Thanks

Thanks to Sister-in-Law, Bethel Rescue, Gillet Fire Department.

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